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## Officials discuss options for county building

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Parking, improvements for handicapped citizens and future space needs were some of the issues raised by Crawford County building officials last week as they discussed the future of the county building.

The Crawford County Building Authority met with engineers from Northwest Design Group of Petoskey to discuss the preliminary options for the county building.

Engineers recently met with county department heads to discuss space needs at the county building. They determined there is a current need for 4,700 square foot of the additional space, and between 3,600 and 6,100 square foot of space needed to serve the county's needs for the next 20 years.

Plans call for moving the central dispatch and emergency management department over to the county building. The court rooms need to be revamped to address space concerns and security issues. There is also a need for storage space for several departments in the building.

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## Kite flying season is here



Photo by Carolyn Hellebuyck

Hanson Hills held their annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday. Above, Taylor Albright, 2, of Grayling shows off a kite she received after the Easter egg hunt.

## City unveils plan for downtown streetscape funding

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Business owners will be faced with making a decision on funding a project to spruce up the downtown area within the next month.

The City of Grayling's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) hosted an informational meeting last Wednesday, where information was presented on how the city has proposed to pay for the Michigan Avenue streetscape project.

The DDA is proposing to spend \$1.5 million on the project that would pay to repave Michigan Avenue, construct brick paved sidewalks, add landscaping and enhance parking opportunities. A total of \$100,000 in funds have been earmarked for the possible purchase of land for additional parking.

The city is proposing to levy a special assessment on 35 businesses located on Michigan Avenue, which would raise \$40,000 per year for the next 20 years to pay for the project. A two mill tax levy has also been proposed, which would raise \$4,000 annually.

The Grayling City Council has pledged to pay \$60,000 in income tax funds per year for 20 years toward the project.

City officials said they would be marketing the downtown and attempting to recruit businesses

into empty storefronts while planning for the project.

"These projects don't create business, but have yet to see a community that has been disappointed for doing it," said Tim Roach, president of Gosling-Czubak, the city's engineering firm. "Left to it's only demises, the future of the downtown does not look good, so this is going to take some tough decisions and the price is going to be hefty."

Although not excited about paying the extra taxes, Dick Fultz, the owner of the Bicycle Shop, said the community needs to do something to keep business in town.

"My thought is, we have to roll the dice and hope for a better day," Fultz said.

Dave Stephenson, the owner of the Riverland and chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, suggested using the entire \$350,000 from the city's incomes tax for one year to pay for the downtown facelift.

"If we shift some of those dollars, even for just one year, it would reduce the impact of this," Stephenson said.

The city has been collecting the income tax since 1972 and funds from the levy were earmarked for road projects and curb and gutter construction. Three years ago, city voters approved a referendum which  
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## Youngsters get fly fishing lesson at library workshop

It must be spring.

The snow has melted, flowers are starting to bloom and fishermen are counting the days until the opening of trout season.

Included in their number are the young "want to be" fly fishermen who attended the Go Fish! workshop at Devereaux Memorial Library. Terry Warrington, a member of the local Mason-Griffith Trout Unlimited Chapter, did an introduction to fly fishing for the children with an explanation of what fly fishing is all about, the equipment used and a demonstration of tying flies. The youngsters gathered about in rapt attention as Warrington very deftly created a "Wooly Bugger" using traditional fly tying materials. Each child took home a wooly bugger as inspiration to become a fly fisherman. The program also involved having the youngsters make a mini water eco-system with a live fish to take home and tend as a living example of how our local rivers function and the importance of healthy waterways. The eco-system labs mirror the primary mission of Trout Unlimited: to conserve, protect and restore  
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Terry Warrington, a member of the local Mason-Griffith Trout Unlimited Chapter, did an introduction to fly fishing for the children with an explanation of what fly fishing is all about, the equipment used and a demonstration of tying flies at the Devereaux Memorial Library's Go Fish! Workshop last week.

## Alumni Association seeks new members

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

An organization with the mission of recognizing the accomplishments of past and current Crawford AuSable School District students is kick starting its efforts.

The Grayling Alumni Association is kicking off a campaign to recruit more members and gather additional information about students who have attended schools in Crawford County.

Clara Atkinson Sorenson and her fellow class members who graduated in 1935 founded the Grayling Alumni Association in 1952.

The alumni association holds an annual dinner each fall, where graduates from Grayling High School and Frederic School gather.

A graduate from the school is typically honored at the dinner as well as a retired teacher from the district.

"It's usually somebody who has done something great for the  
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## City unveils plan for downtown streetscape funding

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allows the city to use the funds for other purposes.

Jamie Greer, co-owner of J. Dap, said she was pleased to see some positive changes suggested for the community but was unsure about the funding for the project.

"Everybody wants to see things look nice, but I am hoping they can explore some other possibilities for funding so the business do have to pay," Greer said.

A total of 51 percent of the business owners would have to

sign a petition to support the streetscape plans for the city to proceed with the project.

The DDA is also seeking to expand its boundary down the I-75 Business Loop so it could generate more funding.

Currently, the DDA boundaries includes Main Street, Norway Street and the Business Loop between M-72 East and M-72 West.

The DDA is planning a streetscape project for Norway Street in 2007 and a similar project is planned for the Business Loop in 2011.

## Work on three I-75 bridges underway

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has begun work rehabilitating three bridges in Crawford County.

Bridge repair work is under way at the northbound I-75 Business Loop in Grayling. The Exit 254 will be closed from mid-April until early May.

A temporary traffic signal will be in place at the Four Mile Road Exit and traffic will be reduced to one lane while work is being completed on that bridge.

In May, work will start on southbound I-75 bridge over US-127. Traffic will be reduced to one lane during the project,

which is expected to be completed by the end of June.

Motorists are encouraged to proceed with caution through the work zones.

The \$600,000 project continues a commitment by MDOT and the Gov. Jennifer Granholm administration to create jobs, improve quality of life and provide the highest quality, integrated transportation services for Michigan residents and businesses.

This work is expected to extend the life of the bridge structures by approximately 15 years.

## Youngsters get fly fishing lesson at library workshop

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North America's coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.

The library is looking forward to the upcoming fly-fishing season with only slightly less enthusiasm than fly fishermen. The library invites all patrons to the Trout Opener Gala on Friday, April 28, starting at 6:30 p.m. The free evening event at Devereaux Memorial Library will feature the appearance of Joseph Heywood, of the Woods Cop series and Snowfly fame. Mr. Heywood will be answering questions at 7:30 p.m. and doing a book signing of Snowfly.

The Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited will be at the gala to chat about the best spots on the river to get your line wet. On display will be a

handmade riverboat, a project of students from Grayling High School; a raffle item for the T.U. chapter. Additionally, local tiers at work will be creating patterns of the current hatches.

Devereaux Memorial Library is the home of the George Griffith and Marion Wright Fly Fishing Collection which is one of the nation's largest library collections dedicated to the art and science of fly-fishing. The collection contains many extraordinary, rare, limited edition books signed by the authors. A large portion of the books in the collection have been generously donated by individuals and organizations who are passionate about the sport. The fly fishing bibliophile version of heaven indeed.

## Officials discuss options for county building

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with what they got," said Howard Haselschward, the president of the Northwest Design Group.

Adding a two story addition on the front of the building would help address American Disability Act compliance issues by adding an elevator to the building and making the rest rooms handicapped accessible.

"In my humble opinion, and if we can get the taxpayer's support, that should be completed first," said Neal Michal, chairman of the Crawford County Building Authority.

Jack Mahank, secretary for the Building Authority, directed engineers to try to design four small parking area for people visiting

the county building and one parking area for employees on the south side of the building.

"There's nothing uglier than one big parking lot," Mahank said.

The Building Authority is working with Bill Gannon, the owner of Gannon Broadcasting, who is seeking to buy or swap land with the county in conjunction with the redevelopment of the former Bear Archery property.

Gannon is seeking to extend Michigan Avenue into the Bear Archery property in order to expand the city's downtown business district.

"We need to make it pedestrian friendly so we can draw people down there," Gannon said.

## Alumni Association seeks new members

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community and has been supportive of the schools," said Sharron Hagerman, who serves as the treasurer for the Grayling Alumni Association's Board. "There are a lot of good things we do and we just want to keep that going."

The alumni association also raises money through its memberships and donations, which go toward scholarships for students who will graduate from Grayling High School. Hagerman said the organization has given as many as 13 \$1,000 scholarships to help students further their education.

"We take pride in supporting the education of the community," Hagerman said.

Now, the alumni association is seeking to gather information on students who have graduated

from Grayling High School between 1970 and 2004 since lists of graduates the organization has on hand are not complete.

Additionally, the alumni association is developing its own website, which will feature information on the organization, its newsletter and past scholarship recipients.

"The alumni association is a viable part of the our community that brings our past, present and future students together in camaraderie of friends, education and the support of our school system," said Sheila Krayces, an alumni association member.

The next alumni association meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 1, at the Grayling High School. The alumni dinner will be held on Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Holiday Inn Grayling.

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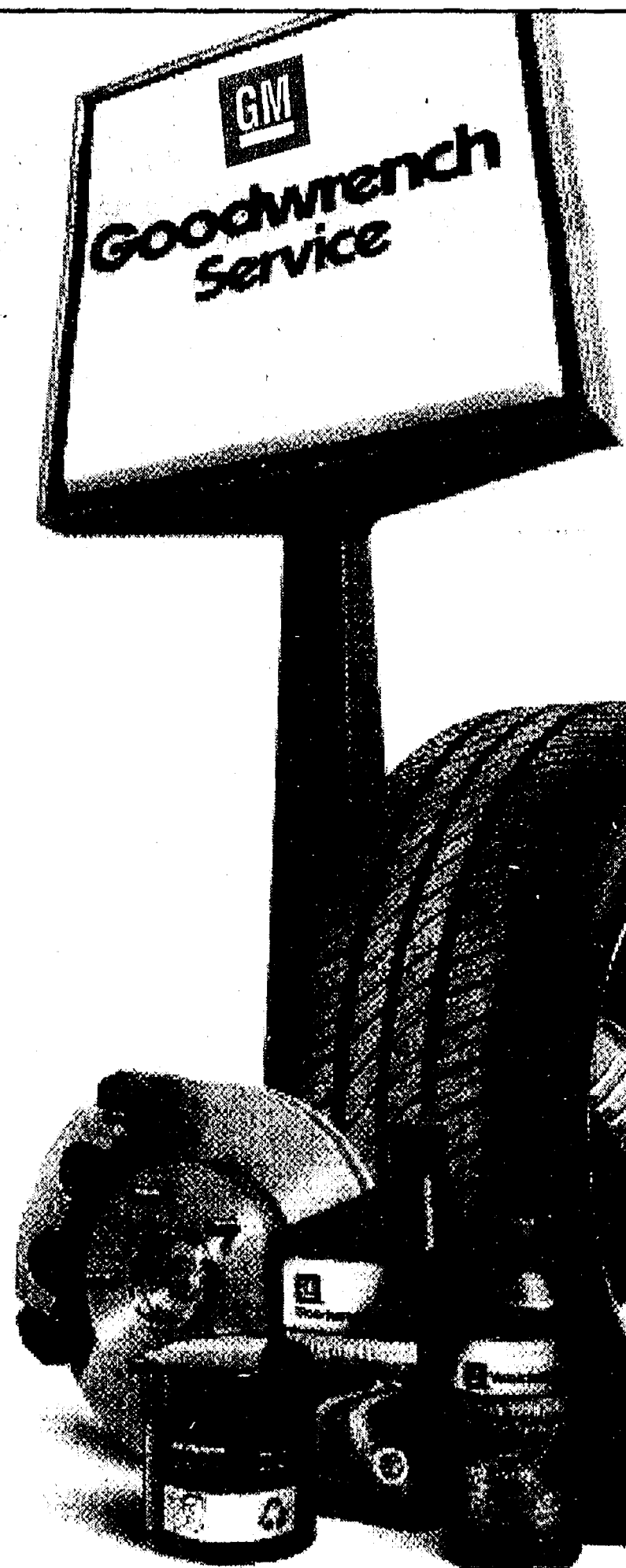
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There will be a limit of 25 teams for this event.



## 507th Engineer Battalion honored

The 40 soldiers from the 507th Engineer Battalion were recognized on Sunday, April 9 at an awards ceremony for their 14 month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The 507th Engineer Battalion was called to active duty in November 2004 and arrived home December 2005.

The unit served in central Iraq, where the soldiers were responsible for command and control of subordinate engineer companies from the Army, Air Force and Marines. The battalion consisted of 12 separate companies/detachments and 1,076 personnel.

During the Freedom Salute Campaign ceremony on Sunday, each soldier received an encased American flag, lapel insignia, commemorative coin and a certificate of appreciation. Spouses were also recognized with commemorative lapel pins. Employers and other centers of influence received medallions at the ceremony.



Master Sgt. Timothy Lamphere of the 507th Engineer Battalion was presented a Bronze Star and Purple Heart for wounds he received while in Iraq. Above, Maj. Gen. Thomas Cutler, left, and Lt. Col. Paul Rogers, right, are pictured with Lamphere and his family during the Freedom Salute Ceremony.

Michigan troops serve the nation, more than 80 percent of the Michigan National Guard respond to state emergencies including terrorism events.

## GHS Community Dinner and Open House slated

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling High School students are showcasing their projects and talents for the community next week.

The staff and students at the high school are hosting their second annual Community Dinner and Open House, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., on Wednesday, April 26. A spaghetti dinner is also being served in the cafeteria in conjunction with the open house.

The open house will showcase student works and highlight their teacher's efforts.

"It's a great way for our parents and the community to see what we do at school," said senior Christi Smith.

Teachers have been collecting materials for this project throughout the year. Classrooms will be decorated with students work including essays, posters and projects. In some classrooms, there will be labs and demonstrations being conducted. Mark Binert's art students will be working on their individual projects.

"I enjoy assignments that are about me or something I might do myself," junior Jack VanPutten said.

Kathy Iler will have students demonstrating simple labs and procedures. Ben Brock, Tim Sanchez and Brian Banda will be in the gym promoting extracurricular activities and the high school's new weight room project.

In the auditorium, special presentations will be performed. Bob Gorski's drama classes will act out their play, "Second Chance."



Jacob Bondar will perform with his rock group Jake Allen and The Grey Link Review at the Grayling High School's second annual Community Dinner and Open House.

The play is about a second chance of life on Earth but they stay on a spaceship so they don't have to run from their problems.

"Students worked really hard and you don't get a chance to see your classmates perform every day," said student director Cody Frankowski.

Some of the cast from the "Sound of Music" will perform excerpts from the upcoming musical.

For the final hour, Jacob Bondar will perform with his rock group Jake Allen and The Grey Link Review. An album, featuring music that the band will perform, will be released at the open house.

Bondar is receiving credit for the alternative education program he is enrolled in by performing with the band, which includes Wade McGregor on

bass and Adam Hoppe on drums, at the open house.

"I think by bringing music to it, hopefully it will bring more people out to the school," Bondar said.

The spaghetti dinner will benefit the high school's Save Our Students (S.O.S.) Fund, which provides support for students who go through hardships such as fires, hospital stays and major illness.

The school is requesting a \$5 donation for the dinner, which will include salad, bread, spaghetti, desert and a drink.

"The high school staff is hoping the community will come and show their support for the students at Grayling High School, where unity, focus and fun are demonstrated," said Daniel Pammell, the Grayling High School principal.

## Man injured in US-127 rollover crash

A 48-year-old Hastings man was injured when he was thrown from a truck during a rollover accident last week.

Crawford County Central Dispatchers dispatched Crawford County Sheriff's Office Deputies, Mobile Medical Response and the Beaver Creek Township Fire Department to a rollover accident which occurred at 4:59 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10 on north US-127 near the 228-mile marker.

When officers arrived at the scene of the accident, the driver of the vehicle, Cranston Harris, 57, from Michigan City, Indiana, was walking around the truck. The passenger, Ron Wymer of Hastings, was lying in the middle of US-127 after being ejected through the passenger side win-

dow since he was not wearing his seat belt. Both men were transported to Grayling Mercy hospital. Harris was treated and

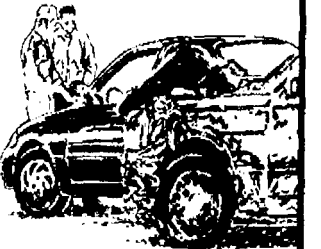
released. Wymer was air lifted to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw.

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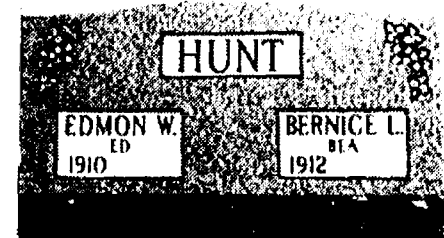


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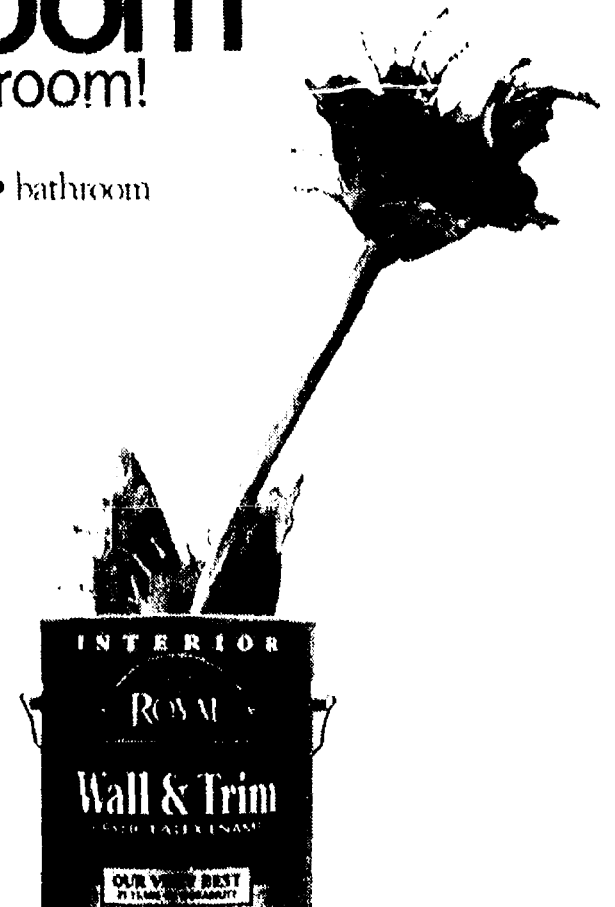
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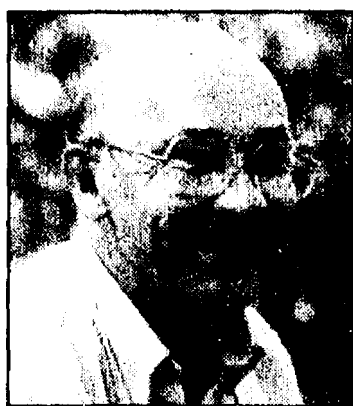
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

## Candidate DeVos gaining in governor race

DICK DEVOS, the all but official Republican candidate for Michigan governor in November, when he first expressed his political ambitions learned that a lot of Michigan folks had no idea who he is.

It's called name recognition, and it's vital for a political candidate.

His assumed opponent, Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm, at the same time was identifiable by almost everybody in the state.

The first female governor in state history, she was first elected governor in 2002 by a healthy margin, had been an active state attorney general four years before that, and generally was regarded highly across the state for performance in both jobs.

As election year 2006 opened, Gov. Granholm was still well known, but generally not as highly regarded across the board. That's what being in a tough public office such as governor sometimes can do for you, but that's another story for another column.

Meanwhile, Dick DeVos had doggedly plied the state's byways and highways

for many months, and had visited many of Michigan's 83 counties, usually meeting with small crowds. He steadily was gaining name recognition, but it was not universal.

IN AN EARLY February poll, EPIC/MRA, a respected and usually reliable Lansing political polling firm, found Ms. Granholm ahead of Mr. DeVos in a head-to-head matchup 53-46. That largely reflected name recognition at the time of the poll, as most campaign polls do.

The Granholm job performance rating was positive by 55 percent — which is not too bad for an incumbent. Interestingly 55 percent also said Michigan was "on the wrong track" and only 30 percent said it was headed in the "right direction." For an incumbent governor, who supposedly is steering the ship, that's not too good.

Meanwhile, the DeVos name identification needed a boost before the campaign got underway in earnest.

BACK IN FEBRUARY, even with Gov. Granholm safely ahead in the polls,

the DeVos camp apparently was not too worried.

John Truscott, a young but old political pro who helped former Gov. John Engler on all of his successful campaigns for statewide office and now is advising Candidate DeVos, saw it like this:

"I bet 60 to 70 percent of the people in Michigan have no idea of who Dick DeVos is at this time. A week or two of TV advertising, and your name identification shoots up 30 to 40 points."

The answer: Investment of a few million campaign dollars in a television advertising campaign. And so it was.

Dick DeVos began appearing repeatedly in Michigan homes via television, showing and telling Michigan folks what a great and wonderful person is Dick DeVos. He narrates many (if not all) the commercials personally, and does a good and professional job as star of his own booster shows.

John Truscott was right. The result: In another poll conducted by the same EPIC/MRA polling firm in mid April, Mr. DeVos is now on even terms with Ms. Granholm.

Again with the April poll as well as the February one, the primary measurement is name recognition, and for a challenger, even-up is a great place from which to plunge into the election-year part of a campaign against an incumbent governor.

That's what a couple of million dollars or so can do for a candidate when applied in the right place at the right time. Mr. DeVos — a mega-millionaire successor to the original Amway home products company — can afford it. Published estimates of his net worth start at about \$500 million, and he's willing to finance his own campaign.

MEANWHILE, GOV. GRANHOLM publicly is not worried.

Her attitude seems to be to wait until the campaign gets serious in the fall, and her TV advertising kicks in. In the meantime, she will continue to concentrate on her job running the governor's office, guiding the state, and working with a stubborn Republican legislature.

Another Michigan political expert sees things a little differently. Ed Sarpolus,

who conducted both EPIC/MRA polls cited here, commented recently on a public television show about the latest poll, "Gov. Granholm is in trouble," he said flatly.

One of the key elements in the DeVos campaign undoubtedly will be Ms. Granholm's performance in office, focusing on leadership. His theme will be that he can provide it, she has not.

A recent letter sent broadly by the DeVos for Governor campaign organization and bearing Mr. DeVos' signature, asks potential supporters simply but boldly:

"If you believe Michigan does not need a change in leadership, send a campaign contribution to Jennifer Granholm. If you believe Michigan needs a change in leadership, please send a contribution for \$10 or more to our campaign."

Let the campaign not only begin, but heat up .... and it will.

# # #  
Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## What do Grayling people do?

To the editor:

What do Grayling people do? We (and this 'we' is going to refer to hundreds of residents), belong to Kiwanis Club that has fundraisers that support children's activities, we belong to Rotary Club that also has fundraisers to donate money to worthy causes, we belong to Habitat for Humanity who builds houses, we belong to the Chamber of Commerce who helps promote the town, we belong to the Eagles Club which donates to many things, we belong to the Masons, Eastern Star, Lions Club, GPA, the Fish Hatchery restoration committee, we belong to churches who have activities and always put on dinners for funerals, we volunteer for year round promotion of the canoe race, we volunteer to work at the museum, the food concessions for the canoe race, for the fall train trip, we volunteer at

sports events, school activities, the library, school tutoring, and one could name any activity that is going on and one would find somebody volunteering for that. I can't even begin to name all of the organizations that would like your help.

Many people have moved from other places to enjoy the hunting and fishing and find they are so very busy that they finally give it up in exchange for helping something in the community. Why do young people leave Grayling? To go out and see the world and then return to Grayling when they retire or become disillusioned with the problems of the cities and suburbia.

We dined in one of the most exclusive and expensive places in France and it was a great experience, but we don't think we need that in Grayling. It would not be as fun as a steady diet and

although we miss the Shoppenagon dining room, we've found the restaurants around town and county all have special things that are very good, especially some homemade desserts.

You want to be entertained, go to school plays, music programs, sports games, and GPA concert series including dinner at the Holiday Inn for some of them, and Kirtland Community College's cultural series which both feature some outstanding performers who might be at the casinos some other time.

You've been to the museum once, you haven't begun to see what is there. It is impossible to absorb the whole thing in one visit, two visits, or many visits. How about Hartwick Pines, they are always having different activities.

I think that if you asked any organization in Grayling if you

could lend a helping hand, they would take you and if you get involved you will find that you are so busy that you will wonder how you had time to work.

If you want to help the area, why don't you spend your grocery money and other purchase money here? It would help the economy and maybe even encourage other businesses to start here. There are some very nice businesses in Grayling with some wonderful and unusual products.

As a native who came back, I've seen the ups and downs of the city and I believe it's going to go up. It's very different than when I grew up here, but so is the rest of the world and I guess it's up to the human race to help it become better.

Fay Bovee  
Grayling

## Don't feel sorry for us

To the editor:

This letter is in response to Ms. McCracken's recent editorial. As a native of Grayling, the amount of negativity never ceases to amaze me. Even though I attend college in the Upper Peninsula, Grayling will always hold a special place in my heart. Please, let me explain.

Having been born and raised in Grayling, I feel no sorrow for myself, but only sorrow for those who fail to appreciate what an exceptional community Grayling truly is. Is it fair to blame Grayling when you find a lack of enjoyment in golfing, canoeing on the beautiful AuSable River, boating on Lake Margrethe or hunting and fishing in the scenic wilderness?

You say there is no "entertainment" here. Did you ever ponder that residents of Grayling consider entertainment to be a kayak trip on the Manistee River, a day of skiing at Hanson Hills or Skyline, a picnic or a hike in Hartwick Pines, camping at one of our numerous state campgrounds, an afternoon of morel mushroom hunting, wild berry picking, or simply an evening spent gazing into the night sky? If none of the previously listed activities interest you, there is also snowshoeing, rock hounding, mountain biking, snowmobiling, swimming, bird watching, bowling, adventure racing, travelogues, concerts and plays. Certainly you have heard about the AuSable River Canoe Marathon! Both the historical museum and the fish hatchery relates to Crawford County's foundation in lumber and fisheries and continues to educate Grayling's "next generation" on the community pride and integrity of its past generations.

There may not be shopping malls, popular chain restaurants, or multi-plex theatres, but don't feel sorry for us when your lack of creativity induces boredom and you feel the need to return to Monroe. You see, the residents of Grayling choose to live here because they treasure the small town atmosphere. If they wanted your brand of "entertainment" they would live in the city. Additionally, you complain about the price of groceries, gas, and the lack of competition, but by not shopping locally when you are visiting, you become part of the problem. The economy would be stronger if your money was spent supporting what is offered, which in turn would encourage growth and competition within the community.

How ironic that you pity Grayling's next generation, when in reality, I pity your incapacity to appreciate this wonderful community. Perhaps, you should sell your property in Lovells and look in the Gaylord or Houghton Lake area for other opportunities, considering you spend your time and money there. Better yet, if you are going to disregard the beauty and worth of this community, keep your condescending and disrespectful opinions in Monroe. The true residents of Grayling have been instilled with a vital sense of community spirit and pride. I am confident that the next generation will succeed in keeping Grayling's reputation as a mecca for recreation activities. They will obliterate and defy "down-state" mentalities such as your own.

Brie Blaauw  
Pickford

## Give for the benefit of homeless animals

To the editor:

We are writing to encourage Avalanche readers to contribute to the building fund for the new animal shelter.

As property owners in Grayling Township and part time residents, we have subscribed to the Avalanche and have followed

the progress of the Animal Shelter over the years. The dedicated volunteers deserve a lot of credit for the hard work they do for the benefit of these homeless animals. Their work on spay neuter and education is to be commended.

Now the time has come to

build a much needed new shelter. The more contributions received now, the lower the monthly payments will be.

Since the county does not budget much money for the shelter, the board members must do a lot of fund raising to keep the shelter running. A community that raised \$200,000 to add a weight room at the high school surely can make some generous contributions to the shelter. We are retired teachers and coaches, so we understand the need for a weight room, but we also believe that the caring people of Grayling

can find it in their hearts and purses to give for the benefit of these homeless animals.

Contributions are tax deductible and would be greatly appreciated. Any amount will help. Please send contributions to: Animal Shelter of Crawford County, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738. Please note "building fund" on your check, and thank you for caring for these homeless animals.

Ethelinda Blackman,  
Grayling and  
Veronica Greason,  
Midland

### Do you know where your children are?

To the editor:

This letter is pertaining to vandalism to vehicles at Mercy Hospital. I am a nurse at Grayling Mercy Hospital. On Monday, April 10, approximately 1:30 in the afternoon, your sons were in the back employee parking lot throwing rocks at my husband's truck, which he takes great pride in. The back window was shattered.

There were about four to six boys there and when hospital

staff chased them, they scattered, some on bikes and some running. This act was purely malicious and not an accident.

I am writing this letter in hopes that parents will talk to their children about respect of others property and maybe someone would come forward as having learned a lesson from such a hurtful act.

Dave and Jeanne  
Reichelderfer  
Grayling

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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# BRIEFS

## VFW service officer to meet with veterans

The Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars Assistant State Service Officer, Art Bates, will be at the Michigan Works Office in Grayling on Friday, April 21, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., to interview claimants about VA benefits. Call 989-348-8709 if you have any questions.

## Boosters sponsors fund raising night

The Grayling Youth Booster Club is partnering with Wendy's of Grayling for a Community Fund Raising Night. A percentage of the sales from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., on Tuesday, April 25, will be donated to the Booster Club. Booster board members will be present and encourage the community to support the club.

## Travel to "Canada's Incredible Parks"

The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series' will conclude the 33rd season of Travel and Adventure with "Canada's Incredible Parks," travelogue on April 20, at the Rialto Theatre. Narrated, in person, by world traveler Dale Johnson, the show will begin at 7:30 p.m., doors open at 6:45 p.m. Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$7 for seniors/students and are available at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce, Flowers By Josie, or at the door. For more information call the Chamber at 989-348-2921.

## Safari Club chapter to hold program

The Mid-Michigan Chapter of Safari Club International will hold a program on May 1, with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m., in Houghton Lake, featuring John McCollum of Eden Ridge Outfitters. Cost is \$15 per person. For reservations call Maxine at 989-772-2805 ext. 119 or email to max@sttsecurity.com, deadline is noon on Friday, April 28.

## Mercy Hospice to hold workshop

Mercy Hospice will be offering a workshop on Adolescent Grief, Saturday, Apr. 22, from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., at St. Francis Church, M-72 West, next to Wimpy's. The workshop is free and open to adolescents ages 14-18 that have experienced a death or loss. The goal is to provide a safe and supportive environment for teens to explore their grief and develop coping skills. For reservations or questions call 348-0035 or 348-4383.

## Michigan author to present new book

Grayling native, author George J. Morse will present his new book "Take Charge - Get Results" on Friday, April 21, 6 p.m., at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Ave., Grayling. Books will be available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds going to the AuSable Free Clinic in Grayling. Light refreshments will be served. Event is hosted by his parents, George and Lorna Morse.

## Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, April 23, at 2 p.m., at the Cheboygan Memorial Hospital, cafeteria, Cheboygan. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call 989-821-5721 for information.

## Skateboard Club collects cans

"The Crew" Skateboard Club will meet Sunday, April 23, at 2 p.m., at the Crawford County Title Office, 108 Burton Court, Grayling, to collect returnable cans and bottles from local residents. Cans and bottles can be dropped off between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. All proceeds will be used to create a skateboard park at the Grayling City Hall. For information, or pick-up, call 390-0445.

## Garden tractor club formed

A garden tractor club, serving the Northern Michigan area, has formed for users and collectors of old garden tractors. For more information contact the Houghton Lake Garden Tractor Club at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/paulstractorpage/> or call 989-422-4402, evenings. Free membership.

## COA to host Alzheimer Assoc. speaker

The Crawford County Commission on Aging, at 308 Lawndale, Grayling, will host speaker Emily Bruski from the Northeast Michigan Alzheimer's Association on Wednesday, April 26, at 2 p.m., presenting "Moving a Loved One With Dementia: When Is It Time?" For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

## Friends of the Libraries to hold meeting

The friends of the Crawford County Libraries will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday, April 24, at 10:30 a.m., at the Frederic Library. Members and public are invited.

## Bowling association meeting to be held

The city association bowling meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m., at the American Legion Hall. Contact Chris Brill with questions.

## Conservation district to hold tree sale

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District will be holding its annual Spring Tree Seedling Sale on Saturday, April 22, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the Roscommon County Fairgrounds, Ballenger St., Roscommon.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for April 16 of \$25 each: Marty Cowher, and Nancy Glasslee.

### Project Graduation

The "Lucky 300 Club" Raffle winner of \$100 for April 7 is Shirley Curriston and April 14 is Tim Hennessey.

## Wildfire Prevention Week, April 16-22, highlights spring wildfire danger

Spring is the most critical time for wildfires in Michigan. Wildfire Prevention Week, April 16-22, 2006, focuses public attention on preventing spring wildfires. Human carelessness causes over 90% of Michigan's wildfires, making prevention everyone's responsibility.

Burning permits are required under state Forest Fire Law whenever the ground is not snow-covered. Permit information can be obtained from Department of Natural Resources USDA Forest Service offices in Northern Michigan, and from local fire departments in Southern Michigan.

Recycling is an easy and safe alternative to burning for the disposal of yard wastes. It elim-

inates the risk of wildfire and the negative health effects of smoke. Recycling yard wastes can be as simple as using leaves to mulch around landscape plants, or plowing them into a garden plot. Leaves can also be chopped with a lawn mower and left on the yard or decompose naturally. This does not harm the grass, and will enrich the soil.

Additional information about recycling can be obtained from the Department of Environmental Quality - Waste Management Division, PO Box 30241, Lansing, MI 48909, or your local MSU Extension Office.

Remember, "only you can prevent wildfires."

## Kirtland to graduate 22nd police academy class

The Kirtland Regional Police Academy will honor its 22nd graduating class with ceremonies in the Performing Arts Center on Friday, April 28, at 11 a.m. A reception will follow in the Student Center.

Kirtland offers two 17-week academy classes per year which prepare cadets for careers in law enforcement.

Members of the winter 2006 class are Bryan Gipson of Mio, Michael Little of Livonia, Jason Marshall of St. Ignace, Aaron McGraw of Ludington, Daniel Mercer of Okemos, Aaron Morse of Muskegon, Donald Sheltown of West Branch, Brendt Smith of Smiths Creek and Jeremy Switek of Standish.

During the graduation ceremony, academy coordinator William R. Cook and members of the faculty will present special awards to several of these graduates in recognition of outstanding achievement.

Missaukee County Sheriff James Bosscher, a Kirtland graduate and criminal justice instructor, will offer the commencement address, while academy director Jerry W. Boerema and Kirtland President Dr. Charles Rorie will also address the graduates. Cadet Little has been elected as the class speaker.

For further information on Kirtland's Regional Police Academy, call 989-275-5000, ext. 348.

## Funds available for area services

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging announces the availability of funds for fiscal years 2007-2009. In accordance with the Annual Implementation Plan funds are to provide the following services: Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Personal care, Homemaker, In Home Respite, Legal Services, Medication Management and Long Term Care Ombudsman.

Funds are also available for fiscal year 2007 for the following services: Disease Prevention Health Promotion, Adult Day Services and National Family Caregiver Support Program.

All funds are available for the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by Wednesday, April 26, 2006.

For further information contact Misty Dragiewicz, Grants Manager, Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707 or call (989)356-3474.

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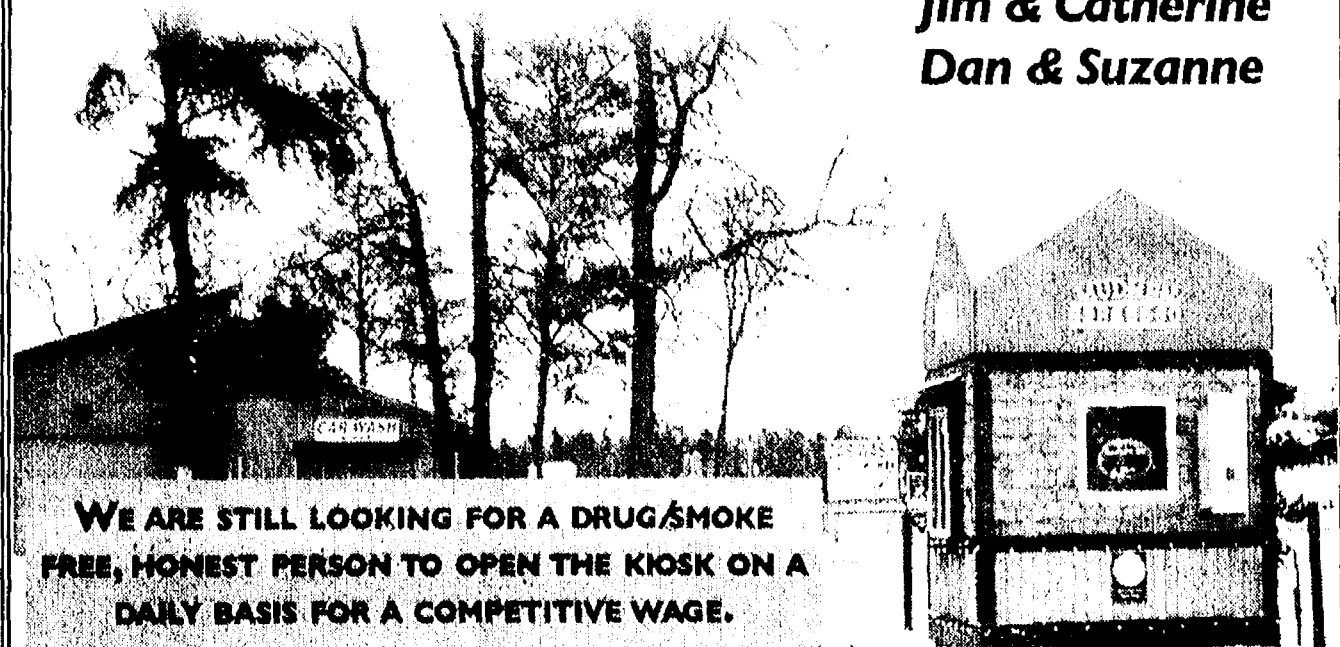


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# The Bible Speaks

## Moralists are Condemned by Truth

Romans 2:1 reminded us that Moralists who judge others are self-condemned because they stand guilty before God for the same sins. In Romans 2:2 we are taught that Moralists stand condemned by God's truth. "2But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things."

First we are reminded of the firmness of God's truth in judgment. "But we are sure...." God's truth is sure because He is omniscient. He knows all things. God's truth is sure because He is immutable. He never changes. Malachi 3:6 teaches us, "For I am the LORD, I change not...." "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8). Our Heavenly Father has "no variableness, neither shadow of turning," according to James 1:17. God's truth is sure because His concepts or words of truth are sure. As the Psalmist said in 93:5, "Thy testimonies are very sure...." Again in Psalm 111:7, "The works of his hands are verity and judgment, all his commandments are sure." Finally, we know God's truth is sure in judgment because God's conduct is sure. As we are taught

in Numbers 32:23: "...Be sure your sin will find you out." "Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." (Acts 17:31).

Second, we are reminded of the faithfulness of God's truth in judgment. "...That the judgment of God is according to truth...." As the Psalmist said in 96:13: "...He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth." Humans profess to judge by truth which is partial, biased, prejudiced, and relative, but never absolute. The Psalmist said in 145:17: "The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works." According to Rev. 15:3 we shall sing some day, "3And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints."

Third, we are reminded of the finality of God's truth in judgment. This principle was clear in Romans 1:18: "18For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven

against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness." God's final judgment will be according to the truth of His word in Hebrews 4:12,13: "12For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 13Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do."

For believers God's truth enlightens, convicts, quickens, converts, frees, and gives eternal life. For unbelievers, God's truth brings wrath, (John 3:36); death, (John 8:24); condemnation, (John 3:18); and damnation, (Mark 16:16). "3How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him." (Heb. 2:3) Pastor "B"

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## Diverse Reading

The AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary School students wrapped up March as reading month with a visit from Traverse City author Nancy Vogl on March 29. Vogl has written two children's picture books, "My Grandpa Rides A Harley" and "Am I A Color Too?" as well

as the book "Chicken Soup for the Single Parent's Soul." Vogl made presentations to both AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary school students from "Am I A Color Too?" The book was written in honor of her grandson, Tyler, focusing on the simple fact that we are all people,

not a color.

The book was recognized with the national Christopher Award, an award established in 1949 presented to producers, directors, and writers of books, motion pictures and television specials which affirm the highest values of the human spirit.



Nancy Vogl, the author of children's picture books "My Grandpa Rides A Harley" and "Am I A Color Too?" helped AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary School students celebrate reading month in March. Pictured above, front row, Alexis Crawford, Vogl and Nehareke Singh. Back row, Shawn Witherspoon, Taylir Miller and Austin Harwood.

## National Guard, Army report topping recruitment

by Sandra Kao  
Capitol News Service

Despite no end in sight to the war in Iraq, the Michigan Army National Guard and U.S. Army are claiming success in recruiting and retaining soldiers.

"There was a period of time after 9/11 when it was really slow," said Maj. Levetta Bennett, an officer strength manager in charge of the team that recruits officers for the Guard. "Now we're not having problems."

At the end of March, the total state Guard strength was 8,712 soldiers, or 104 percent of its quota roster. Of them, 7,933 are enlisted and 779 are officers.

About 75 percent of the Michigan Guard, including soldiers and airmen, have been deployed overseas. To date, roughly 1,000 troops are now in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere, said Maj. Dawn Dancer, state public affairs officer for the Department of Military and

Veterans Affairs.

The Guard is a military organization that is subject to call by both state and federal authorities. It is a reserve force for when the active duty military is short on troops.

Bennett said that "things have picked up tremendously" and she has received phone calls from people who want to serve out of a sense of patriotism.

One woman in her late 30s had wanted to join the military her entire life. Her father and uncle had been in the military, and now she signed up to serve as an officer, Bennett said.

First Sgt. David Dunkel, a retention officer for the Army Guard, said the organization takes a strong approach to recruiting, retention and attrition management.

And recruiters are now talking to applicants about the Guard differently: the days of the weekend warrior serving one weekend a

month for college money are over, he said. Applicants are directly told that they can count on being deployed.

"People volunteered to go to Vietnam, and people volunteer to go to Iraq every day knowing full well all the risks," he said.

Strong leadership and improved incentives, such as paid college tuition, bonuses for enlistment and reenlistment are also reasons the Guard is exceeding its target strength, Dunkel said.

Nationwide, the Army Guard met its March recruiting goal by 102 percent with 6,651 soldiers. Its retention was 108 percent of its goal of about 17,000, according to the Department of Defense.

The U.S. Army also exceeded its March recruiting goals at 104 percent, it said.

Meanwhile, recruitment at Reserve Officers' Training Corps offices on university campuses is also reported as successful.

"The number of cadets we have in the program right now is of sufficient amount that we anticipate being able to meet our mission for the next several years," said Lt. Col. Brett Johnson, Army ROTC scholarship and enrollment officer at Western Michigan University.

In fiscal year 2005, Western's Army ROTC exceeded its annual requirement of commissioned officers by 17 percent. In 2004, it exceeded its requirement by 25 percent.

About 65 percent of all Army officers come from ROTC programs, Johnson said.

Qualified students have their tuition paid fully and receive a book allowance and a stipend, he said.

"We offer very generous scholarships to assist students that meet our qualifications to help them go through college," said Johnson, adding that he doesn't think the prospect of deployment in Iraq is discouraging students from joining ROTC.

"The students come in with an understanding that there's a war going on in Iraq and they may have obligations to serve there. They all understand and accept that."

Elsewhere, at Central Michigan University, Army ROTC training officer 1st Sgt. Edgardo Ramos said many students want to join and his program has never had problems finding enough people.

In fact, said Ramos, "we normally exceed or go above the goals." Eastern Michigan University, Michigan State University and University of Michigan also have Army ROTC programs on their campuses.

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Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm  
Wednesday Service 7 pm  
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm  
(van transportation available)

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
710 Spruce Street  
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Sunday School 9:15 am  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
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Church School 9:45 am  
Praching 11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
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Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 pm  
Sunday Mass 10:00 am  
Daily Masses 11 am  
Wednesday & Fridays 8:30 am

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
Reverend Elizabeth Chance  
M-72 West • Office 348-5850  
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri 8:30 am  
Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am  
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

**Restoration Life Fellowship**  
Pastor Paul & Debbie Mason  
Sunday Service 10:30 am  
Mid Week Services (Wed) 7:00 p.m.  
are held at Milltown Corner Building  
(Behind Cornell Real Estate)  
Mail: 9141 N. Cui River Rd Rockwood, MI 48653  
Phone: 989-348-9382 or 989-821-6722  
E-mail: restorlife@earthlink.net

**Friendship Church**  
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Rev. Dick O'Neil, Pastor  
415 Ohio North, Oxford  
Sunday School 9 am  
Morning Worship 10 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study 10 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study 12 noon

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Bennett, Pastor  
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Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
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211 Shellenbarger St. • 348-5325  
Sunday School 10 am  
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Coffey  
705 Madison St. • Grayling • 348-2357  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:30 am  
Evening Service 6 pm  
Wednesday Service 7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
Pastor David Rosenberg  
Associate Pastor Scott Hoffer  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:30 pm  
Sunday School 11 am  
Bible Study (Wed) 6 pm  
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Darby  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School 10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coster  
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Sunday School 10 am  
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer (Wed) 7 pm

**ML Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)**  
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Worship Service 10:30 am

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## OBITUARIES

### Hazen Hatfield

Feb. 19, 1926 - April 15, 2006  
Hazen "Whitey" Hatfield, 80, of Grayling, passed away on April 15, 2006.

He was born in Toronto, Canada, on February 19, 1926, to Harold and Gertrude (Mathias) Hatfield.

Whitey spent most of his life in Grayling. He began sailing the Great Lakes on freighters at the age of 15, then joined the U.S. Navy, as a Seaman First Class, and then after being discharged he worked at Camp Grayling. He spent his working years at Bear Archery and the Meadows of Grayling.

Whitey married Mary in Houghton Lake, on July 15, 1988.

He was a real 'outdoors man' and enjoyed archery. He was a member of the Bow Hunters Club and was a youth archery instructor. He also enjoyed woodworking, was a caretaker for lodges along the river, and had a special interest in the Grayling Fish Hatchery.

His grandchildren fondly remember gathering around for him to tell stories and do tricks.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; children: Warren (Carol) Hatfield of N.M., Terry Hatfield of Tenn., Barry (Jennie) Hatfield of Grayling, Bradley (Cathy) Hatfield of West Branch, Carol (Mike) Kelly of Grayling, Marjory (Robert) Bosman of Waters, Patricia, Bonnie of Grayling, Sue (Brett) Soules of Indian River, Rick Kern of Vassar, and Joe Kern of Kinross; 21 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; brothers: Harold, Howard, James, Gary, Warren, and Carl.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Roger, sister Elizabeth, and an infant daughter, Vicki.

A service of Military Honors was held on April 19, 2006 at Elmwood Cemetery. Military Honors were accorded by American Legion Post #106, Camp Grayling Firing Squad, and the U.S. Navy.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Crawford County Devereaux Memorial Library.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Faith A. Schultz

Nov. 25, 1927 - April 15, 2006  
Faith A. Schultz, 78, of Grayling, passed away on April 15, 2006.

She was born on November 25, 1927 in Ashland, Wisconsin, to Howard and Pearl (Love) Nolan.

Faith graduated from Grayling High School in 1945, married Edward Schultz on September 21, 1968, and worked at Grayling Reel for several years until her retirement in 1980.

She is survived by her husband; son, Jon Schultz of Grayling; five grandchildren: Ben, Chad, Rick, Katie, and Will Schultz, and nephew, Timothy Nolan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and brother, Lee Nolan.

Funeral services were held on April 18, 2006 at the Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home with Pastor Jon Scott officiating.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Crawford County Animal Shelter.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Lawrence O. Brusso

Dec. 30, 1932 - April 10, 2006  
Lawrence O. Brusso, 73, of Grayling, died on April 10, 2006.

Lawrence was born in Laurium, on December 30, 1932, to Lawrence and Leona (Gamach) Brusso. He married Faye Brusso in St. Augustine, Fla., on October 16, 1976 and served in the U.S. army between 1954-1956.

Prior to moving to Grayling, he owned and operated "The Larry and Faye Brusso Company" in Waterford. Two years ago, he moved north and enjoyed woodworking and fishing.

He is survived by his wife Faye, of 29 years; children: Larry (Sandy) Brusso of Texas, Susan (Terry) Okray of Md., Dottie (Jeff) Lane of Frederic, David (Joyce) Rademacher of Holly, Daniel (Michelle) Rademacher of Grand Rapids; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Donna (Mike) Shanley of Wis.; brothers: Clifton (Darlene) Brusso of Calumet, John Brusso of Fla., David Brusso of N.C., Robert (Mary) Brusso of Wis., and Paul (Heidi) Brusso of Germany.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Mary.

A memorial service was held on April 15, 2006 at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, with Pastor Thomas Mammoser officiating.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Association.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Kenneth Frank Shepard

April 9, 1918 - April 15, 2006  
Kenneth Frank Shepard, 88, of Grayling, died on April 15, 2006.

Kenneth was born in West Branch, on April 9, 1918, to Henry and Jessie (Withey) Shepard.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Force as a Staff Sergeant in WW II. He loved fishing and enjoyed many different activities at the senior citizen center, and delivered Meals on Wheels for the senior center, where he volunteered.

He is survived by his son, Rex (Barbara) Shepard of Grayling; Edward (Chelsa) Gray of Erie, Pa.; Andrew (Debra) Gray of Columbus, Ohio; his companion, Sally Stevens of 19 years and her family: Mark (Julie) Stevens of East Jordan, William MacDonald of Kalkaska, James MacDonald of Traverse City, Brenda (Doug) Lopinski of Manistique, and Douglas (Lisa) Wilson of Neb.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, John Shepard in 1999.

There are no services planned. Memorial contributions may be sent to Mercy Hospice, Grayling.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Kristin Kay Rempe

Kristin Kay Rempe, 55, of Gaylord, passed away on April 14, 2006.

A memorial service was held on April 17, 2006 at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home in Grayling.

### Patricia A. Schreiner

Mar. 24, 1923 - April 12, 2006  
Patricia A. Schreiner, 83, passed away on April 12, 2006.

She was born on March 24, 1923, in Ypsilanti, to I. Lester and Mary E. (Wanar) Pio.

Patricia graduated from Ypsilanti High School in 1941, and was a member of Rainbow for Girls, chorus, and drama club. She graduated from Cleary Business College in 1942.

In 1945 she enlisted in the U.S. Navy W.A.V.E.S. While in Boot Camp at Hunter College in Bronx, N.Y., she was in the WAVE choir, and was the Guide-On-Bearer for her platoon. She went to Washington D.C., and was discharged in 1946. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW.

Patricia married Allen V. Schreiner at the First Methodist Church in Ypsilanti, on April 25, 1947. They moved to Grayling in 1971, where she worked as a secretary with the Soil Conservation Service for 10 years and retired in 1982. She was active in the RSVP program and also volunteered with SCS, where she worked on a part time basis.

Pat was an active member of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, where she served on many committees, worked with the youth group, was the church organist, and was part of the church bell choir. She served on the Executive Board of the Crawford County Arts Council.

She is survived by her son, Karl (Marjorie) Schreiner of Grayling; two grandchildren, Bethany Sanville and Deborah Hadley both of Grayling; and one great-granddaughter, Francis Poling of Grayling.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Allen, of 53 years; two sisters; and one brother.

Funeral services were held on April 14, 2006 at Heritage Baptist Church, with Pastor Ernie Wagner, officiating. Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Contributions may be made to the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Grayling, MI 49738.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Card of Thanks

Thank you Mercy Hospice. The family of Mary Servitto-Tedesco wishes to express our deepest gratitude to the caregivers of Hospice. Thank you so much for your patience, understanding and expert knowledge. Although asking for help was a difficult decision, we realize now that without the excellent services offered through hospice we would not have been able to have the level of quality that you afforded Mary and our family. More over, we cannot begin to thank you for assisting our family in allowing Mary to peacefully pass on, with dignity, in familiar surroundings, encircled by family.

You were all Mary's angels when she was here, now we are sure she is looking out after you.

God Bless,  
The Tedesco family

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following during the week of April 2 - April 9:

Two private property accidents, one traffic warning, one civil infraction citation, one motorist assist, two juvenile complaints, two alarm complaints, one stalking/harassment complaint, two malicious destruction of property complaints, one animal control complaint, four disturbing the peace complaints, two breaking and entering complaints, six assist other departments, one civil complaint and 21 unclassified complaints.

## BIRTHS

Rhiannon Schwartz and Nelson Negron of Lewiston, announce the birth of a son, Keaton Rayne, born at Mercy Hospital on March 28, 2006, at 6:25 p.m., weighing 9 lbs., 2.2 ozs., and measuring 22 inches in length.

Amanda and Michael Welch of Mio, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Issabelle, born at Mercy Hospital on March 26, 2006, at 4:51 p.m., weighing 6 lbs., 6 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

Peggy and Jason Hall of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Kaleb Joseph, born at Mercy Hospital on March 20, 2006, at 10:54 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 4 ozs., and measuring 20 3/4 inches in length.

Tracy Chandonais, announces the birth of a son, Kaden Joel, born at Mercy Hospital on April 9, 2006, at 4:55 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

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## Moore named DeVos Crawford County Campaign Chair

Gubernatorial candidate Dick DeVos today announced Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore will serve as Crawford County DeVos Campaign Chair.

"I'm delighted to have Sandy serve as Crawford County Chair for the campaign," DeVos said. "As we continue to move forward it is extremely important to have dedicated people in every corner of the state working to communicate our message of change."

The county chairs will be responsible for overseeing activities in the county. These activities include mobilizing volunteers to go door-to-door; make get-out-the-vote phone calls; attend events; and many other activities.

"It is an honor to assist the campaign in this way and be a part of Team for Change," Moore said. "I have seen first-hand what Dick DeVos has been able to do as a leader in Grand Rapids and I look forward to having him lead our state. Michigan is desperate for leadership and Dick will not only bring the change in direction that is needed, but he will lead Michigan to its best



Crawford County Clerk Sandy Moore has been named Dick DeVos Campaign Chair.

days. The future of Michigan will be much brighter with Dick DeVos leading our great state."

## County clerk to host voting system demonstration

Crawford County voters will be using the new Optech Voting System for all elections, beginning with the annual election on May 2. County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore will unveil the new system to voters with a three day demonstration beginning Tuesday, April 25 at 9 a.m. and running through Thursday, April 27. The demonstration is open to all voters in Crawford County as it will allow the citizens to better acquaint themselves with the new voting equipment and procedures.

"I want the voters of Crawford County to feel comfortable about voting from this point forward, and this is one way my office can serve the residents and educate them on the new process," said

County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore. "My goal is to see increased participation on election day because it streamlines the process and makes voting more convenient."

All jurisdictions across the State of Michigan are converting to Optical Scan voting, which will allow the voter to mark the designated paper form with a pen or pencil (complete the arrow pointing to your choice with a single bold line) and then feed the ballot directly into a tabulator. The machine optically scans the ballot and the voter can review the vote cast and either correct or electronically record the votes in it's memory. The paper ballot is then channeled into a storage bin where it

remains until the polls close. This system will protect voters against ballot spoilage, have a faster compilation and reporting of election results and show consistency between absentee ballots and ballots issued at the polls.

"We are fortunate to have the federal dollars available to update our Counties voting system and I thank Secretary of State, Terri Lynn Land for her hard work in making sure Michigan is well equipped with voting machines and providing integrity to our voting system," commented Moore. "I wish to remind voters that May 2 is election day for the Crawford AuSable School District. Please Remember to Vote!"

## Mid-Michigan Chapter Safari Club International

Membership Meeting. Non-Members are invited to attend. John McCollum of Eden Ridge Outfitters will be the program. John is from Oregon. He hunts Columbia Black tail deer, Columbia Whitetail, Roosevelt Elk, Black bear along with winter Steelhead and Chinook salmon.

When: Monday May 1, 2006

Where: Lakeside Comfort Suites. Old US-27 - Houghton Lake

Time: Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 per person

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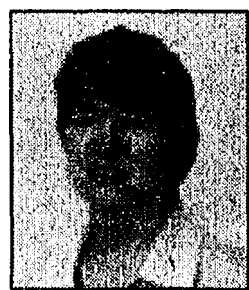
**NOTE:** Reservations must be in by noon Friday April 28<sup>th</sup>.

# OMH Community Calendar

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL



**Car Seat Safety Inspections**  
 1:30 - 4 p.m.,  
 Friday, May 12,  
 Gaylord Fire Hall  
 Otsego Memorial Hospital is sponsoring a child safety seat inspections at the Gaylord Fire Hall on Wisconsin Street. Certified car seat safety technicians will be available to check for proper placement of the seat in the vehicle and proper fit of the child in the seat. There is no charge for this service. Please call OMH Parent Educator Darla Edwards at (989) 731-2124 for more information.



Eileen Mikus, RD, CDE  
 cholesterol screening

**Diabetes Expo**  
 3-8 p.m.,  
 Wednesday, May 10,  
 University Center - Gaylord  
 Join us for this community event to showcase diabetes management products and services. Appointments available for free eye screening, free foot screening, and \$15



**Bike Helmet Safety Day**  
 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.,  
 Saturday, May 6,  
 outside at the Call of the Wild Museum  
 Have an existing bike helmet properly fitted or be fitted for a new one. Bring a bike and ride a bike safety course. Children fitted for a helmet will be eligible to win a new bike by Latitude 45 and 5/3 Bank. Bike helmets provided by the Michigan Trial Lawyers Association and Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency. Other sponsors include OMH, Gaylord City Police and Otsego County EMS. For more information, call (989) 731-2124.

## Additional Educational Opportunities

**Childbirth Education Class**  
 The Journey To Parenthood childbirth education series is offered throughout the year. Weekday and Saturday courses are available to meet your schedule. Childbirth education is recommended during the seventh month of pregnancy. Please call the OMH Parent Educator at (989) 731-2124 to register or for information.

**Diabetes Self Management Education**  
 Offered monthly in the OMH Professional Medical Building, this is a series designed to help those living with or recently diagnosed with diabetes to manage the disease and live a fulfilling life. Series covers the basics, risks of complications, medications, physical activity, meal plans, foot care and more. Call the OMH Diabetes Educator at (989) 731-2194 for information and a class schedule.

**Family Fun Fair**  
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., April 29,  
 Gaylord Middle School  
 An annual event promoting healthy development of children.

**Freedom From Smoking**  
 Freedom From Smoking is a 6 week program to help make quitting smoking a less stressful experience. Sessions are about 1.5 hours. The cost is \$40 per person. Pre-registration is required. Call (989) 731-2193 for information and class schedule.

**I'm the Big Kid, Now!, Sibling Preparation Class**  
 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Saturday, June 10  
 Designed for children ages 3-10 years who are expecting a new sibling. Children will explore life with a new baby using hands-on hospital play, bathing, diapering, art, story, and video. An adult must accompany each child. There is a \$7 fee per child. Call (989) 731-2124 to register.

**Infant & Child CPR**  
 6 p.m. - 9 p.m., Tuesday, June 27  
 A 3-hour training session intended for lay-persons who wish to learn CPR skills and first aid training for infants and children. Cost is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Pre-registration is required. Call Mary King at (989) 731-2193 for a class schedule.

**Mardi Gras in May - The Annual Cherry Pink Dinner Dance, Otsego Club**  
 6 p.m., Friday, May 19  
 An OMH Auxiliary fund-raiser. The theme is "Mardi Gras in May." A portion of this year's proceeds will be donated to Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, a facility devastated by Hurricane Katrina. For tickets contact the Pink Awning Gift Shop at OMH at (989) 731-2409.

**OMH Foundation 9th Annual Golf Benefit**  
 9 am, Thursday, June 15  
 The 9th Annual Golf Benefit and a new Golf Ball Drop take place at the Treetops Fazio Course. For details on the Golf Benefit or Golf Ball Drop tickets, call the OMH Foundation at (989) 731-2342 or (989) 731-7769. Player registration and payment due by June 1, 2006.

**Quit Tobacco Workshop**  
 5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, June 7  
 A three week workshop to actively involve participants in the quit process by reflecting on past quit attempts, making a detailed plan for a future quit attempt and making a commitment to devote time and energy towards quitting. The cost for this workshop is \$40. Please call (989) 731-2193 to register or for more information.

**Smart Weigh - for adults**  
 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, May 24  
 Smart Weigh, developed by OMH registered dietitian Eileen Mikus, RD, CDE, helps you identify the habits you need to break and begin the process of building new, healthier ones. This six-session series begins at 5:15 p.m. on May 24, 2006. The cost is \$60. Class topics include: behavior change, goal setting, hunger management, energy and metabolism; making new habits permanent; and an action plan for after the class ends. Please leave a detailed message at (989) 731-7979 to register. A registered dietitian will return your call.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Apr. 20 - 26 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Apr. 21 and Apr. 25 - 26.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 818, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin Bridge Rd.) Mortar live fire and demolitions, Apr. 21 - 23.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Apr. 21-23.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bound on the west by Cadillac Rd., and on the East by Carrier Rd. Apr. 21-22.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek. Apr. 21-23.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down

River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Apr. 21-23.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Apr. 21 -23. Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

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## Kirtland art students have what it takes

As the semester and academic year at Kirtland Community College draw to a close, art instructor Scott Rice can't help but reflect on the successes of his students and the ways in which their work is being recognized and lauded.

Several Kirtland art students were successful this year, as they have been in the past, in securing scholarships to further their art instruction at larger institutions. In addition, Kirtland's active dual-enrollment program with local high schools has brought success to several high school students who have also earned scholarships. Others have the joy of seeing their work exhibited at venues around the state.

"Currently, we have seven transferring students that have earned scholarships based on their KCC portfolios at their prospective colleges," said Rice with pride.

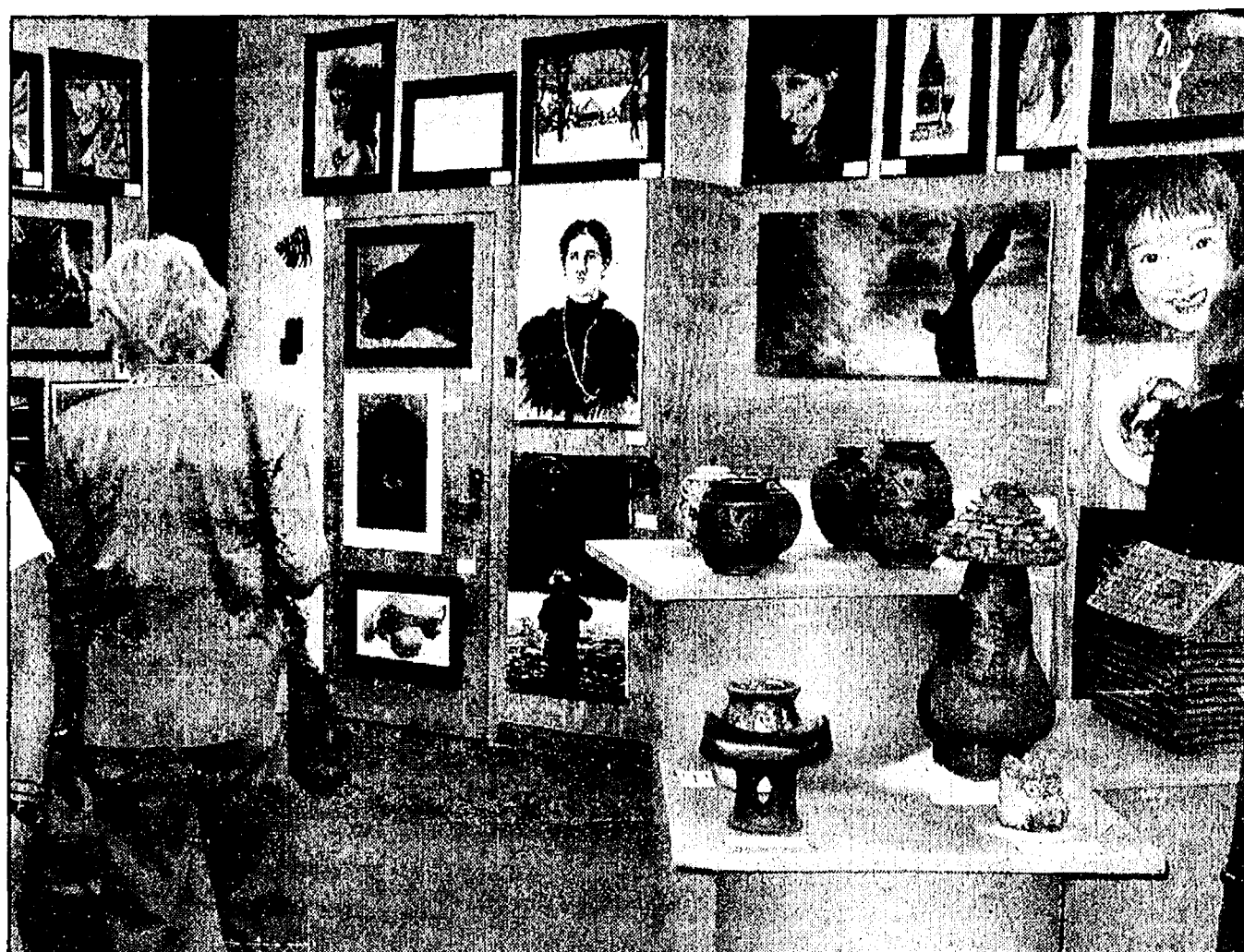
They are: Lesley Gilbert, of Grayling, who received the merit scholarship of \$6,000 from Kendall College of Art and Design in visual communication and illustration. Kendall is part of Ferris State University and is located in Grand Rapids.

Steve McShane, of Tawas, received the merit scholarship of \$24,000 from the College for Creative Study in fine art/blacksmithing. This is a leading private art institution in Detroit.

Greg Hardy, of Grayling, received the merit scholarship of \$40,000 from the College for Creative Study in photography.

Cortni Burkhart, of West Branch, received the maximum merit scholarship of \$12,000 to attend Kendall College of Art and Design in illustration.

Maranda Shear, a dual-enrolled high school senior from the Crawford-AuSable School District, received \$18,000 for



Kirtland's Art Department celebrates the work of all its students with regular exhibitions and events, such as the May 2005 student art show pictured. This spring, the success of numerous Kirtland students who earned scholarships to several prestigious schools is also being lauded.

first place in Kendall's high school senior scholarship competition.

Jacob Sucas, a dual-enrolled senior from Roscommon High School, received \$10,000 for third place in Kendall's high school senior scholarship competition.

Eric Persing, a dual-enrolled high school senior from the Crawford-AuSable district, received a \$6,000 merit scholarship and fourth place in Kendall's high school senior scholarship competition, worth another \$6,000.

The success of Shear, Sucas and Persing is compounded by the fact that Kendall only awarded a total of six scholarships in this year's high school competi-

tion. The school also tripled the number of competitors this year by allowing more than 100 students to enter their work. The competition is only open to high school seniors accepted at Kendall.

To compete, each student displays three of his or her best pieces to be judged.

"Both colleges are extremely impressed with our thorough foundation and complex assignments," Rice said about Kendall and the College for Creative Study. "But just as we are, they are more impressed by the dedication of our students."

In addition to these awards, Rice, Berniece Southworth, of Roscommon, and Christine Lannom, of West Branch, had their watercolor paintings accepted into the 59th Annual Michigan Watercolor Society Exhibition, to be held at Studio 23/The Arts Center in Bay City from May 20 to June 24, with a reception on May 20, from 3-5 p.m.

Rice's "Reflections of Romance," Southworth's "AuSable in the Spring," and Lannom's "Feather Man" are candidates for the touring exhibi-

tion and are examples of the quality of work that is produced in Kirtland's summer watercolor course.

"We are contributing on campus just as well," Rice said, referring to the student and staff art shows that are hosted at Kirtland each semester.

Rice and fellow Kirtland art instructor Joe Donna currently have work of their own on display on the Kirtland House/Art Gallery on the Kirtland campus until Friday, May 12. A meet-the-artists reception is set to take place Wednesday, April 19, from 5-7 p.m.

And finally, on Thursday, May 4, in the Kirtland Art Department from 6-8 p.m., the college is hosting its annual Winter Student Art Exhibition and Reception.

"Last semester, we brought in over 300 viewers admiring the works in animation, ceramics, computer-generated images, design, digital communications, drawing, illustration, painting, photography and sculpture," Rice said. "So I hope everyone can join us for these events and take a moment to congratulate these successful artists."

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"Citizens Bank will never call our clients and request account numbers over the telephone," said Personal Banker Crystal Filley. "Citizens Bank already has that information so we will never request that over the phone."

Filley said several Citizens Bank clients in the Grayling area received fraudulent phone calls last week, but she cautioned that the scam could be more widespread and involve other financial institutions as well.

Phone scammers will use some kind of excuse for need-

ing the account numbers, such as bank computer problems, but people should not fall for such claims, Filley said.

"You should not disclose your account numbers over the phone for any reason unless you are the one making the call to your financial institution," Filley said. "If you suspect a call is a phone scam, try to capture the phone number from caller ID and note individual names and company names used, if possible. Then, call the police immediately."

Filley said phone scam victims should also notify the bank immediately if they gave their account numbers or other identifying information to a caller.

Filley is located at Citizens Bank's downtown Grayling branch at 305 Michigan Ave. and can be reached at (989) 344-4001.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 99 complaints the week of April 10 - April 16:

Eight traffic accidents, one traffic violations-civil infraction, one plan review, one motor vehicles-vehicle identification number-school bus, five property inspections, four civil matters/family disputes, 12 suspicious situations, two lost and found properties, three missing persons, 17 general non-criminal complaints, one delinquent minor, one false alarm, one assault/intimidation/stalking, two burglary home invasions, one burglary-forced entry-non-residence, three larcenies, one larceny from building, one

fraudulent activities, one stolen property, three damage to properties, two damage to property-private property complaints, one family offense/abuse/neglect, one making false report, one disorderly conduct, eight public peace/disorderlies, one blood alcohol content of less than 0.02, three health and safeties, one minor in possession or use of tobacco, four health and safeties, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, three miscellaneous arrests, two driving violations/driving while license suspended and three driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are?" For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## Hospital opens doors to new MRI facility

The state-of-the-art unit is available five days per week.

The wait is over for Grayling and surrounding area residents who need to schedule MRI appointments.

Doors to Mercy Hospital Grayling's Magnetic Resonance Imager (MRI) facility open for a public Open House on Friday, May 5, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Plans call for patients to start using the Siemens Magnetom Avanto MR in early May. The facility replaces the Munson Healthcare mobile unit that has visited the hospital three to four times per week.

"This facility will allow patients to have their testing done much sooner," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "This is one of the finest diagnostic tools available, and we are very pleased to be able to offer this service to our patients."

Plans call for the facility to operate from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Four technologists - three full-time and one part-time - have been hired to perform MRIs. The only other fixed MRI units in northern Michigan are in Alpena, Cadillac, Traverse City, and Petoskey.

Grover C. Raymond, M.D., director of radiology at the hospital, said the device is ideal for diagnosing many conditions, including multiple sclerosis, strokes in their earliest stages, brain tumors, and infections in the brain, spine or joints.

"The images produced during an MRI screen allow physicians to look at almost any area of the body for problems," he said. "An MRI can be used to evalu-


ate brain, neck, and spinal cord problems. Or it can be used to look at your chest, heart, abdomen, joints or muscles."

The MRI does not use ionizing radiation, and it can provide an image from any angle to give physicians the information they need to reach a proper diagnosis.

Radiologist Matthew Visconti, M.D., said an MRI of the caliber of the new machine has been unavailable to the rural communities the hospital serves - until now. "It's a world class device," he said.

The unit is designed with an open appearance that significantly can help patients with claustrophobia or anxiety about the MRI examination. The cantilevered table design gives the system a light and unimposing appearance while providing unobstructed foot space for attending staff and better access to patients. The table can hold up to 440 pounds.

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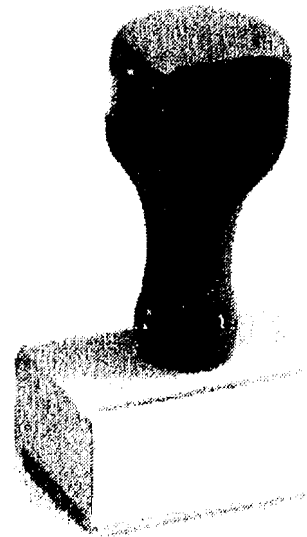
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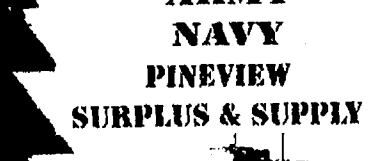
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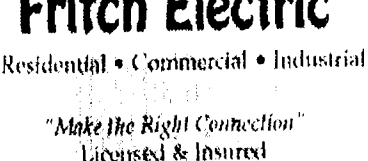
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## Four candidates vie for school board

*Editor's Note:* Four candidates, which include two incumbents, are vying for two four-year seats on the Crawford AuSable School District Board. The school election will be held on Tuesday, May 2. The Crawford County Avalanche sent questionnaires to the candidates to gain their insight on the issues and why they believe they should be elected for the board.

NAME: Sandra L. Enos  
PROFESSION: Head Start Home Base Teacher

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attended Cherry Hill High School, Northern Michigan University for one year, then went back to school after marriage and having children to earn my associate's degree in early childhood from North Central Michigan College.

FAMILY INFORMATION: Husband - Morris (Moe) Enos - married 13 years. Son - Steven, 11, and son, Jeffrey, 10.

HOBBIES, PASTIMES, LEISURE ACTIVITIES: During the summer, Moe and I manage the Oxbow Club on the South Branch of the AuSable River where I get to practice my favorite hobby, which is cooking. My favorite pastime is watching my children participate in sports and being outside with them and our lab of 12 years - Abby. I love to read, go fishing with my husband and collect anything to do with hummingbirds.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE GREATEST NEED IN EDUCATION TODAY? Staying focused on the children and making sure that they get the best educational foundation available.

MORE SPECIFICALLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE GREATEST NEEDS FACING CRAWFORD AUSABLE SCHOOLS? Making sure that every single child in the district gets the tools and assistance they need to move forward with their own individual educational

goals. Trying to make sure the parents of each student know what is available for their children right here in Crawford County.

WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL STRENGTHS OR QUALITIES THAT WOULD BE MOST BENEFICIAL AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER? I am reliable and dependable and a good listener. I am also a good team member. I have been a resident of Crawford County for almost 30 years.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR A SCHOOL BOARD POSITION? WHAT WOULD YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED? I am running for the school board because I am interested in the best possible education for the children in this county and would hope that I could offer some new ideas and suggestions to keep the current process moving as smoothly as possible. I have two children in this school district and want them and all the children to experience their educational dreams. Our children are only young once in their lives and we owe it to them to make sure they have every opportunity to succeed.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS? Regardless of how you vote, the most important thing to do is to get out and vote. Exercise your right and make your voice be heard.

NAME: Judith R. Gorski  
PROFESSION: Secondary education administrator/teacher/coach emeritus. I worked in the Taylor School District for 21 years, 11 as a teacher in both the middle school and high school and 10 as an administrator in both the middle and high school. We bought a home in Grayling Township, and subsequently I was hired as the middle school principal in the Houghton Lake Community Schools and served for three years. When Grayling High School was looking for a new principal, I applied and was fortunate enough to be hired to work in that position for six years. I retired in March 2002 after 31 years in education.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Both of my degrees are from Eastern Michigan University - my degree in school administration and my bachelor's of science degree in English language and literature with a minor in speech and dramatic arts. In January 2004, I completed the requirements in Florida to be a Supreme Court Certified Mediator. This certification is for mediation of court-ordered child custody and family issues.

FAMILY INFORMATION: I have been married to Robert S. Gorski, currently a Grayling High School teacher, for 39 years. We both have been Eucharistic ministers at St. Mary Catholic Church. We have two children, Brad and Laura, both of whom are Grayling High School graduates.

HOBBIES, PASTIMES, LEISURE ACTIVITIES: Gourmet cooking, listening to music, gardening and reading. Spending time with family is one of my favorite pastimes.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE GREATEST NEED IN EDUCATION TODAY? We need to prepare our students to be career competitive in a technological and global economy. Education is the ticket for survival in our ever-changing world. As adults, it is our responsibility



Sandra L. Enos



Judith R. Gorski



John "Jack" Pilon



Carol E. Ramaswamy

to open our students' eyes to the realities of the world market and its impact on our everyday life. The future of the United States as we know it depends upon our ability to teach our students well.

MORE SPECIFICALLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE GREATEST NEEDS FACING CRAWFORD AUSABLE SCHOOLS? In the Crawford AuSable Schools, we need to provide as much as we can for our students with the resources we have available, just as we do within our own families. After all, it is our responsibility to our children. We need to be certain that we provide the leadership to make the necessary decisions to maintain/implement the appropriate programs and services to accomplish our goals. We are facing increasing demands, higher costs and shrinking resources. As a result, our district is facing some critical decisions. Visionary leaders are important to coordinate the support for the curriculum and assessment of what our teachers are delivering daily in their classrooms. Fiscal responsibility by supporting what we can afford and sustain is crucial to our successful operation. We also need to celebrate our district/student and staff successes, awards and recognitions more. These achievements are a basic component of our community support. We always want the perception of what we are doing to match the reality.

WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL STRENGTHS OR QUALITIES THAT WOULD BE MOST BENEFICIAL AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER? I care about our students and the community area the Crawford AuSable School District serves. One has to have tremendous admiration for the way our community consistently supports its youth. My 31 years experience as an educator and my proven leadership in the Crawford AuSable School District are two of my major strengths. I understand from the inside out how schools are run, what their needs are and what impacts their daily operations. I also have years of experience in accreditation and curriculum development, implementation and assessment. These are skills that will be a positive value to our school district.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR A SCHOOL BOARD POSITION? WHAT WOULD YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH

IF ELECTED?

When approached to run for the school board, I took it very seriously. Each of us has skills we can use and contribute for the greater good of our community. My skills are in the educational arena. I have the desire, educational experience, and proven leadership that will be of benefit to the district. As we navigate through these difficult financial times, we need to pay particular close attention to our operation while promoting the leadership that builds strong support and confidence in the quality of services we provide. Our students deserve access to the best education we can provide. The classroom is a priority - focus on keeping cuts out of the classroom. I would work to maintain our elementary class sizes and co-curricular program and the arts. We also need to work to support and maintain our staff members. As we look at our district goals, the need for professional development for all staff members surfaces. Again, we want to provide the best education for our students with the resources we have. Visionary leadership can be proactive by providing creative programs to meet the new state mandated graduation requirements, in particular the online component and virtual classroom. Other issues to accomplish will surface in the performance of board member duties.

NAME: John "Jack" Pilon  
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor's of Science in forestry from Michigan Technological University.

FAMILY INFORMATION: My wife Ruth and I have four children, all of whom graduated from Grayling High School.

HOBBIES, PASTIMES, LEISURE ACTIVITIES: Reading, hunting, travel and I am active in Knights of Columbus.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE GREATEST NEED IN EDUCATION TODAY? Our school district does a good job in facilitating educational opportunities by providing good courses, well-trained teachers, nice buildings, a safe environment, transportation, a wide array of extra-curricular activities, counseling services, food services and parent programs. Still, with all that available, there is an urgent need to reach that percentage of students who are not taking full advantage of the education opportunities available to them and teach them that they are ultimately responsible for their own life-long education. MORE SPECIFICALLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE GREATEST NEEDS FACING CRAWFORD AUSABLE SCHOOLS? Our students need to understand that they are competing with people from around the world who are grasping every opportunity to learn. We have to teach our children to embrace every opportunity to learn and be life-long learners.

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WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL STRENGTHS OR QUALITIES THAT WOULD BE MOST BENEFICIAL AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER? I continue to take professional development classes to develop leadership and new skills, and to stay up-to-date on educational issues. I am very concerned about the education of all of our children.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR A SCHOOL BOARD POSITION? WHAT WOULD YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED? The education of our students is being affected by the convergence of several large events, like declining birth rates, erratic funding, federal and state mandated standardized testing, globalization, and the negative portrayal of public education in the media. We have made strides in responding to these by making budget cuts, some of which were very painful, and improvements to the curriculum. The board has been very committed in facing issues head-on. I want to continue to resolve these issues while maintaining the best education system possible for our children.

NAME: Carol E. Ramaswamy  
PROFESSION: Registered Nurse for Mercy Hospital working in the surgery department.

FAMILY INFORMATION: Husband, Ram, son, Ravi, 25, daughter, Rachel, 22, daughter Rebecca, 19, and son Robert, 16.

HOBBIES, PASTIMES, LEISURE ACTIVITIES: Reading, spending time with family, attending my children's activities and gardening.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE GREATEST NEED IN EDUCATION TODAY? The greatest need in education today is to prepare our children to succeed in our changing world. In our knowledge-based economy, even entry-level jobs often require a high school diploma and frequently education and training beyond that. We must teach our students to continue to learn and

grow throughout their lives.

MORE SPECIFICALLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE GREATEST NEEDS FACING CRAWFORD AUSABLE SCHOOLS? In our own district, we are faced with declining enrollment, which means declining funds and increasing costs. We need careful and creative planning to cope with this. Our excellent education is more important than ever. According to the U.S. Census Bureau in 2004, the median income for a high school dropout was \$18,144, a high school graduate \$25,360 and college graduate \$42,404. Our job is to prepare our students to be responsible, productive members of our community. We must keep our kids in school and help them to achieve so they have the knowledge and confidence to go on. Success in the early years is critical to staying in school. We believe that small class size in the lower grades is important, even during difficult financial times. We also believe it necessary and extremely important to continuously evaluate, and if necessary update early reading and math programs. Maintaining our faculties and our busses is a continuing

expense but is an important part of being fiscally responsible with our communities' assets. Passage of the bus bond would provide funds for this purpose without raising taxes. This would help keep our general fund money in the classroom with our children.

WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL STRENGTHS OR QUALITIES THAT WOULD BE MOST BENEFICIAL AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER? I have been on the Crawford AuSable School District board of education for 12 of the past 16 years. In my first term, I took courses from the Michigan Association of School Boards. I took further classes and received an award of merit. I have served on the district improvement team, high school improvement team, strategic planning teams, curriculum committee, gifted and talented committee, policy committee, finance committee and many others over the years. This has given me a good overall view of where we have been, where we are and where we need to be. My schedule is flexible which enables me to attend morning, afternoon or evening meetings. I know the tremendous amount of time being a responsi-

ble board member entails and I have always been willing to do it. I very rarely miss meetings or work studies.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR A SCHOOL BOARD POSITION? WHAT WOULD YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED? I strongly believe that our children are our most vital community resource and responsibility and I am passionate about the importance of their education. My oldest son started kindergarten in this district in 1985 and my youngest son is a junior in high school. For 21 years I have been involved in education in CASD. I have seen great improvements and I would like to continue working with the excellent staff and administrators we have here.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS? We face very difficult financial times. I would like to see us continue to keep cuts as far away from the children as we can. Our kids need an outstanding education and they also need co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Our graduates have accomplished amazing things. We need to continue to support and encourage our students.

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## Preschool to receive USDA grant

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development fund has approved over \$3.5 million in loans and grants to schools, community groups and a water and waste disposal facility in Northern Michigan.

In Crawford County, the Grayling Cooperative Preschool was awarded \$3,900 to purchase playground equipment and replace deteriorating facilities. "This important funding will strengthen infrastructure and provide improved care for children in these Northern Michigan communities," Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) said.

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## Building project requires hospital to revamp parking

Mercy Hospital Grayling's \$6.3 million Emergency Department construction project scheduled to start April 24 will require changes to parking at the hospital.

"A project of this size will require us to re-route traffic at our facility," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "Parking for patients and visitors has been changed, but will remain as convenient to the hospital as possible."

As part of the construction project, the first three rows of parking at the hospital will be blocked off. The parking lot that currently houses the mobile MRI will be re-striped and used for handicapped parking. The parking lot in front of Mercy Manor will be reserved for patient/visitor parking.

The paved parking area behind

Mercy Manor will be reserved for rehab patients, volunteers, and any patient/visitor overflow.

Temporary signage will be placed throughout the campus to direct patients and visitors to the appropriate parking areas.

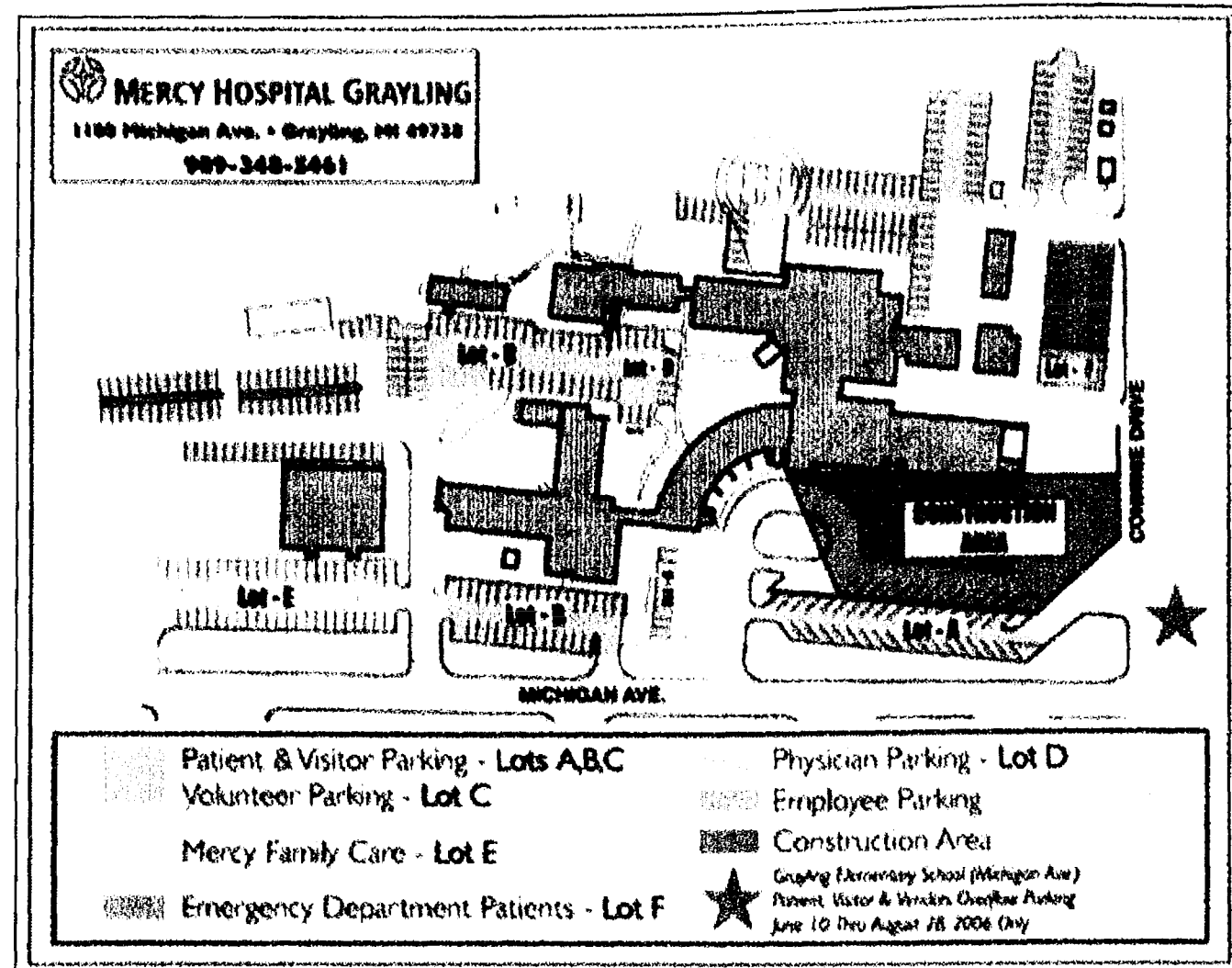
"We anticipate that parking will become a premium during

our busy summer months," Riemer-Matuzak said. "We are working with the school to provide additional parking during this period."

Riemer-Matuzak said she wants to thank patients and community members for their patience as construction on the

state-of-the-art facility moves toward completion in early 2007.

"We are excited about this project and how it will add to the quality of life within the Grayling area," Riemer-Matuzak said. "We appreciate the public's understanding of the need for changes."



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Friday, April 21 - Lunch - baked ham, marshmallow sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables, and cinnamon applesauce. No Dinner. 12 p.m. Lovells Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Stagette Club and pantry bingo.

Monday, April 24 - Lunch - chicken and dumplings, green beans, cauliflower, and tanger-

ine. Dinner - riblet on a bun, baked beans, coleslaw, and pineapple. 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardio.

Tuesday, April 25 - Lunch - Salisbury steak, peas, mashed potatoes with gravy, and peaches. Dinner - roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, and Mandarin oranges. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. tax clinic, 10 a.m. Tenant Council Mtg, 12:45 p.m. Euchre.

Wednesday, April 26 - Lunch - bacon quiche, broccoli, cheesy potato casserole, muffin, and grapes. Dinner - Swedish meatballs over rice, asparagus, peas

and carrots and blueberry crisp. 10 a.m. line dancing, 2 p.m. caregiver class, 5:30 p.m. Medicine Shoppe bingo.

Thursday, April 27 - Lunch - Hungry Boy casserole, Brussels sprouts, corn, and mixed fruit. Dinner - Navy bean soup, ham sandwich, carrots, spinach, and fresh fruit medley. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

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# Spring Trials race to help raise money for AuSable Marathon

## New canoe racing event to be held on Saturday, May 20

■ **Six-person teams to race from Grayling to Oscoda in relay canoeing event**

AuSable River Canoe Marathon organizers are introducing a new event to this year's festivities — a 120-mile relay canoe race from Grayling to Oscoda to be held in May that will help kick off the summer canoeing season and raise money for the marathon.

Designed as a unique fundraiser for the AuSable River Canoe Marathon and a way to kick off the canoeing season in northern Michigan, the AuSable Spring Trials event provides the opportunity for a team of six paddlers to experience the challenge of a non-stop river trip from Grayling to Oscoda.

The six paddlers will run with their canoe from the Grayling Post Office to the AuSable River at 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 20. The first two paddlers will trade places with the second two paddlers on their team at Wakeley Bridge, and the third pair of paddlers in the group will take over at Parmalee. The stages continue on the way to Oscoda, with paddlers resting for two stages before being called to duty for every third stage. The estimated travel time, which will be affected by weather and water levels, is expected to be 18 to 24 hours.

"The 3 p.m. start should afford the entries, under the worst conditions, a daylight finish in Oscoda," event organizers said.

Each team will be provided with a standard touring canoe, bent shaft racing paddles, and comprehensive maps of the river from Grayling to Oscoda. Teams will provide their own safety support and all team



The 2006 AuSable River Canoe Marathon will start at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, and finish on Sunday morning in Oscoda.

members may assist with portages. Teams are allowed to use any lighting system they choose and use a GPS navigation system if they wish.

This event requires the paddlers to raise an average of \$300 each, which they can accomplish through pledges or sponsorships. Lettering for the teams' canoes will be provided at no cost to the teams to reflect either a team name, significant

sponsor, business, service club, or community that the team represents.

The Spring Trials will serve as a fundraiser, a kick-off to the northern Michigan canoeing season, and the start of a countdown of the last few days of preparation for the 59th AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

"Less than 70 days after the running of the Spring Trials we

will see the best canoe racers in the world headed for Oscoda competing in this year's marathon," said Todd Pfaff, marathon volunteer. "These last days before the big event will fly by with the last few weeks getting very crazy."

The 2006 AuSable River Canoe Marathon will start at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, and finish about 14 hours later on Sunday morning.

The first Spring Trials team, from the Grayling area, will be comprised of Bob Bennett, Terry Bloomquist, Monte Burmeister, Fred Fisher, Wayne Koppa, and Jim Laurent. "We are working on our lighting options and plan on using a GPS to help with the ponds. Weather will be a major factor," Koppa said.

A second team being formed in Oscoda by Dan Gary, an

AuSable Marathon veteran, is still being finalized. "The Grayling people will be strong upstream but we know this end of the river and we will have plenty for them when we start hitting the last four ponds and portages," Gary said.

For more information on the AuSable Spring Trials, visit the AuSable Marathon's website: [www.ausablecanoe marathon.org](http://www.ausablecanoe marathon.org).



The Spike's Challenge C-2 race, held the weekend prior to the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, is set for Sunday, July 23, this year.



This year's Time Trials for starting position for the AuSable River Canoe Marathon will be held on Thursday, July 27, and Friday, July 28.



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# Trout fishing season to open on Saturday, April 29

■ Fishing seasons for walleye, pike, and muskie also begin on last Saturday in April

The opening day of trout fishing season, which is slated for Saturday, April 29, this year, is only a few days away, and anglers are gearing up for it.

"We've had some traffic coming in, we've been getting some business," said Jack Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop. "Everyone is getting antsy."

"As of now, it should be a good opener. The river is in good shape. Water levels are low for this time of year. It should be easily wadeable. The weather's been pretty consistent. If the weather stays the same there should be some small hatches getting started," Millikin said. "As long as nothing changes drastically with the weather it should be a good opener."

April 29 will also mark the beginning of the walleye, muskellunge, and pike fishing seasons.

In order to legally fish for trout, anglers age 17 and older must have an "all-species" fishing license.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources offers guides to help trout anglers and other fishermen with the in-depth regulations for fishing: the *Michigan Fishing Guide* and the *Michigan Inland Trout & Salmon Guide*. Both booklets are generally available where fishing licenses are sold, and both are available on the internet at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr).

The latest editions of the fish-



The opening day of trout fishing season is slated for Saturday, April 29, this year. ing guides provide regulations for both the 2006 and 2007 fishing seasons.

## Softball team opens season with games at Roscommon, Cheboygan

■ Grayling falls to Bucks 7-1, 6-2 in first doubleheader of the 2006 season

The GHS varsity softball team opened its 2006 season with losses at Roscommon and Cheboygan last week.

On Tuesday, the Vikings fell to

the Bucks 7-1, 6-2 at Roscommon.

Leading hitters for Grayling in game one were Chelsea Wolcott (2 for 3, 2 stolen bases) and Jessica Henderson (1 for 3, 2 stolen bases, 1 run scored).

In game two, Wolcott was 1 for 3 with 1 stolen base and 1 run scored. Henderson was 2 for 3 with 2 stolen bases and 1 run scored.

Wolcott pitched game one for GHS. In six innings, she allowed six hits and two walks and struck out seven batters.

Wolcott and Katie Baynham pitched three innings each in the second game. Wolcott allowed five hits and four walks while striking out six. Baynham allowed one hit and five walks while striking out three.

"Due to spring break this was the first time we have played together as an entire team in a week and a half. It was nice just to be back on the field," Coach Keri Brock said. "We had nine errors in the doubleheader, which put us at a huge disadvantage. Only six of Roscommon's thirteen runs were earned. Part of that is a lack of experience, but we have to execute to be competitive."

"We need to find a way to get runners on base. Our pitch selection wasn't ideal, therefore we made things easy for their defense. We ran the bases well totaling eleven stolen bases on the night but couldn't get hits in key situations," Coach Brock said. "Jessica Henderson played well on both sides of the ball with three hits, four stolen bases, and two runs scored. She also had eight putouts, four assists, and threw out the only base runner that attempted to steal. Offensively, Chelsea Wolcott got off to a great start in her senior campaign with three hits, three stolen bases, and a run scored."

On Wednesday, the Vikings played a doubleheader at Cheboygan. The Chiefs won the series 7-1, 25-4.

Henderson was the leading hitter for Grayling in both games

(1-3, single, 1 stolen base, 1 run scored in game one, 2 for 2, 1 stolen base, 1 walk, 1 run scored in game two).

"For the second game in as many days we were not able to put together much of an offensive threat. Defensively we tend to be a step slow. We have to be able to take care of the ball and be at the top of our game mentally because we are putting our pitchers in some tough situations," Coach Brock said. "Jessica Henderson continued to swing the bat well going three for five with two stolen bases and two runs scored. I have been impressed with her leadership so far this season."

"As we go into league play I am counting on my seniors to step it up. They have been very helpful in practice guiding the underclassman along. Trisha Petersen should be back from injury this week, which will bring some speed and consistency to our outfield. Katie Baynham and Chelsea Wolcott have been making contact and it's just a matter of time before they find the holes. Andrea Southard, who missed almost all of the 2005 season with a broken ankle, is starting to get her timing back. Our freshmen and sophomores are making strides every day. With a little more experience we should be competitive in our league," Coach Brock said.

The Vikings play at Kalkaska on Friday, April 21, at 4:30 p.m. Grayling will host Boyne City on Tuesday, April 25, at 4:30 p.m.

## HONORS - SPORTS

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team recently received several postseason awards:

Eli VanNuck - Associated Press All-State Honorable Mention, *Traverse City Record-Eagle* All-Region, *Bay City Times Dream Team*, *Top Choice All-Region* Captain, *Detroit News/Free Press* All-State

Honorable Mention; Bobby Starks - *Top Choice All-Region 1st Team*; Jim Boylan - *Top Choice All-Region Honorable Mention*; Coach Rich Moffit - *Top Choice Coach of the Year*; Team - Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan Academic All-State (3.26 grade point average).

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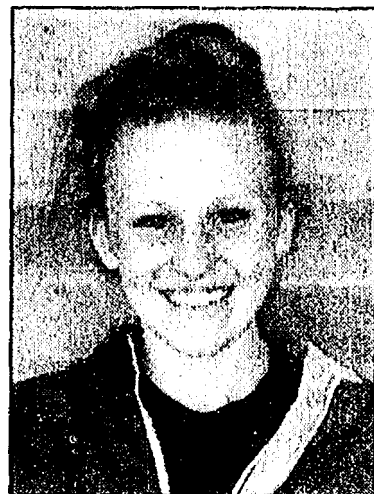
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# Soccer team hosts Kalkaska



(Left) Kim Long fights for a ball during last Thursday's varsity girls soccer game against the Kalkaska Blazers at Grayling High School. (Right) Chelsea Hanson takes a throw-in for the Vikings on Thursday. Kalkaska won the contest by a final score of 10-0.



Vicki King (left) and Melissa Scott (right) handle the ball for Grayling in last week's game vs. Kalkaska.



Goalkeeper Brianna Farrell handles the ball after making a save.



Chelsea Currison dribbles the ball for GHS.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

### Pioneer League

McDonald's ..... 39 - 9  
Chemical Bank ..... 30.5 - 17.5  
Grayling Rest ..... 28.5 - 19.5  
Cal Dutton Const. .... 28 - 20  
Thad Pooley Painting. . 24 - 24  
AJD Forest ..... 16 - 32  
Spicy Bob's ..... 14 - 34  
Tim's Collision ..... 12 - 36  
High Series: D. Argue, 524; T. Rock, 509; J. Coors, 498. High Game: T. Rock, 201; M. Cole, 191; K. Moshier, 181.  
**American Men's League**  
Grayling Chiropractic . . 31 - 18  
GADCO ..... 31 - 18  
Fenton's Auto Serv. .... 29 - 20  
Scheer Motors ..... 28 - 21  
McLeans ACV ..... 24 - 25  
Canfield's ..... 21 - 28  
Moore's Auto ..... 17 - 32  
Derwich Ind ..... 15 - 34  
High Series: Lance Davis, 737; D. Henning and Larry Davis, 627. High Game: Lance Davis, 259; D. Henning, 251; Larry Davis and R. Pyle, 235.

### Northwood League

Tim's Collision ..... 39.5 - 20.5  
Carey & Jaskowski ..... 31 - 26  
Bud Lite Babes ..... 33.5 - 26.5  
Great Lk Mortgage . . . 31 - 29

Choppers Spare ..... 31 - 29  
Tree Huggers ..... 25 - 35  
Scott McNamara ..... 24 - 36  
Hart Pontiac ..... 22 - 38  
High Series: P. Benardo, 590; C. Ludwig, 492; B. Mackinnon, 472. High Game: P. Benardo, 231; C. Ludwig, 199; M. Jankowski, 179.

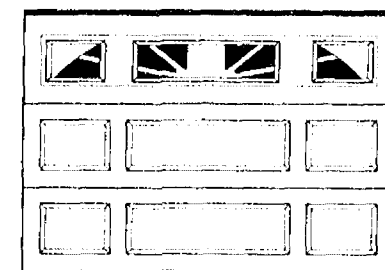
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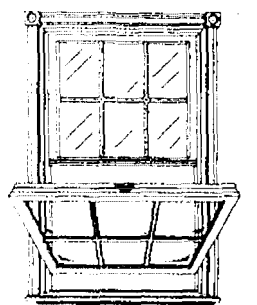
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# Battle at the 45th Parallel to be held this weekend

## Third annual local martial arts touney to be held at Grayling High School

The 3rd Annual Battle of the 45th Parallel, a martial arts tournament organized by area martial arts school New World Karate (NWK), is expected to draw about 500 competitors and 1,000 spectators this weekend.

The tournament will be held at Grayling High School on April 21-22.

The Battle at the 45th Parallel is an "open martial arts tournament" — any styles can compete. The first session of this year's event, scheduled for 5 p.m. on Friday, April 21, will include weapons, breaking, continuous sparring, self-defense, and team sparring.

On Saturday, April 22, at 10 a.m. the main competition starts with traditional forms, open forms, and point sparring.

This year's Battle at the 45th Parallel will include a new element — the "Saturday night finals." The finals will be held at the Grayling High School auditorium at 7 p.m. on April 22 and will feature the top two competitors in most of the blackbelt divisions dueling on stage to determine division champions. Events that will be showcased at the finals will include breaking, self-defense, weapons, and sparring.

Last year's Battle at the 45th Parallel brought about 1,000 people to the area, according to Larry Burns of NWK. Burns expects this year's event to draw about 400 to 500 competitors and 1,000 spectators and provide a boost to area businesses in the process.

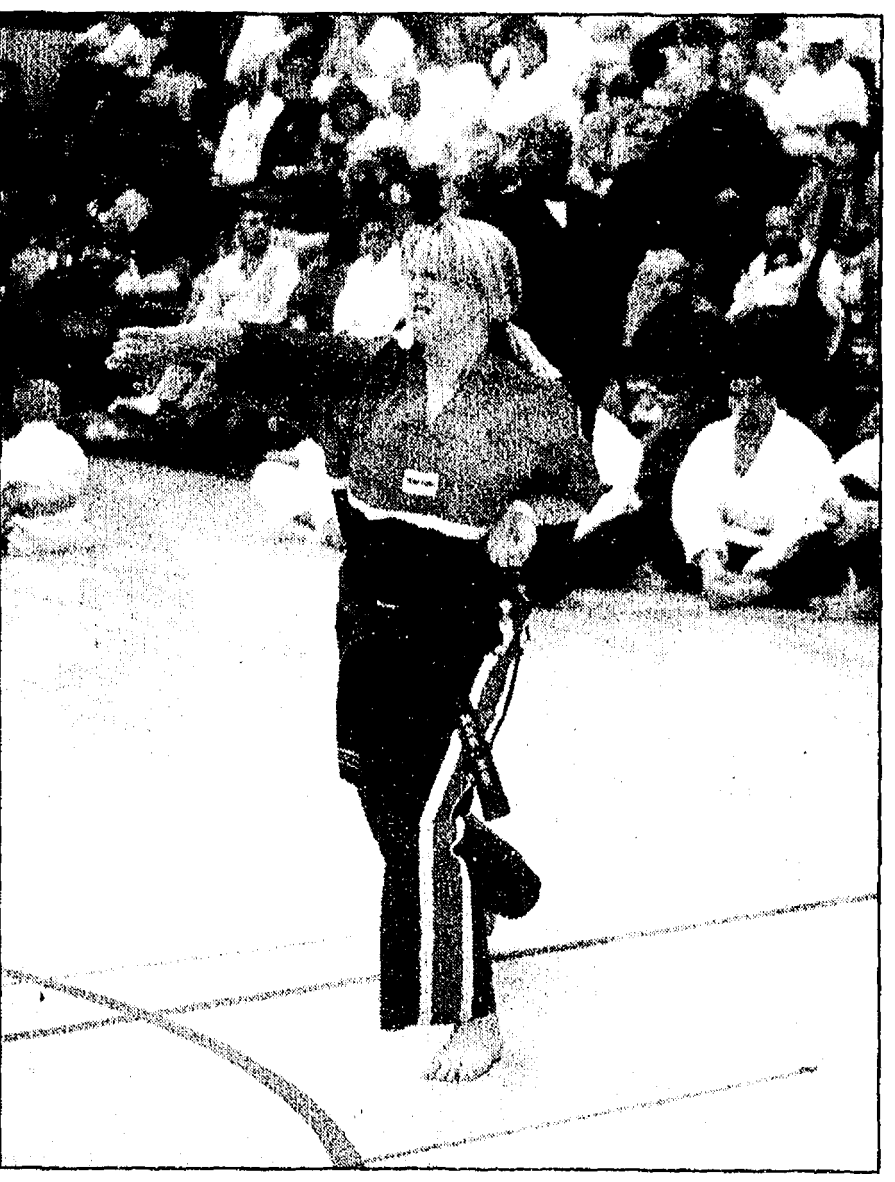
"This year it's going to be bigger. This thing's going to take off every April. This is going to be a really good thing for the community," Burns said.

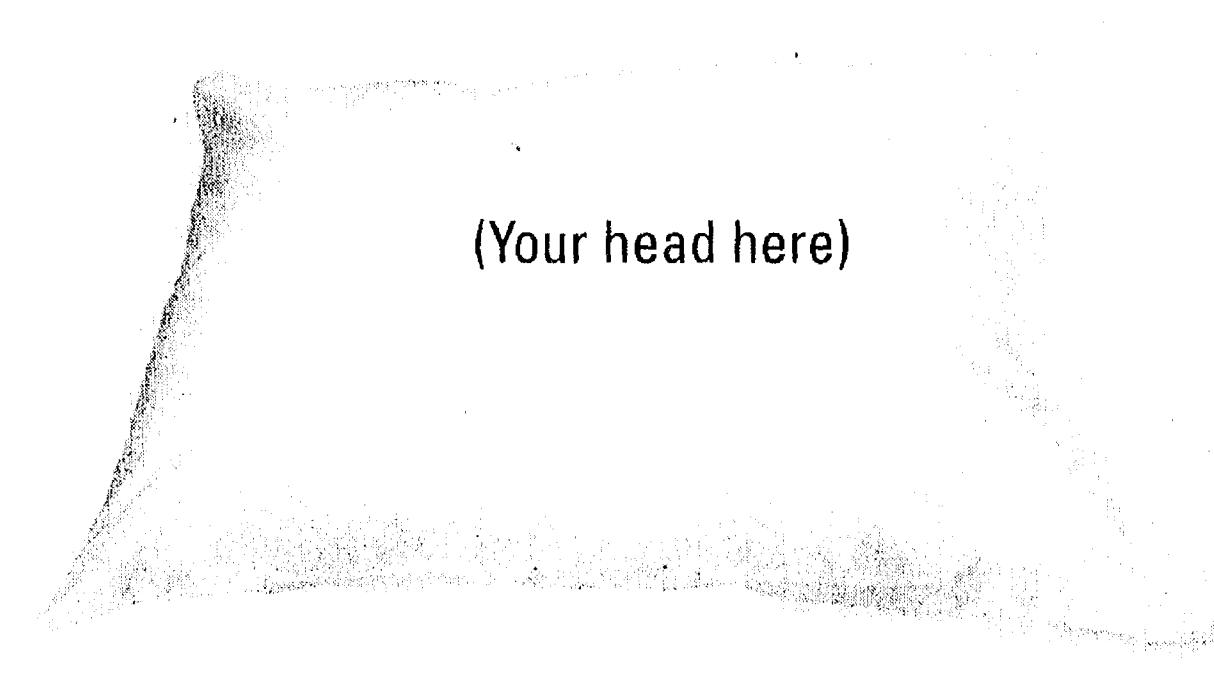
Tickets for the Saturday night finals will be \$5 (general admission) and/or \$10 (V.I.P. seating). Tickets will be sold at the event.

For more information on the night time finals, contact NWK at 344-6083. For more information on the Battle at the 45th Parallel or NWK, visit the school's website at: [www.teamNWK.com](http://www.teamNWK.com).



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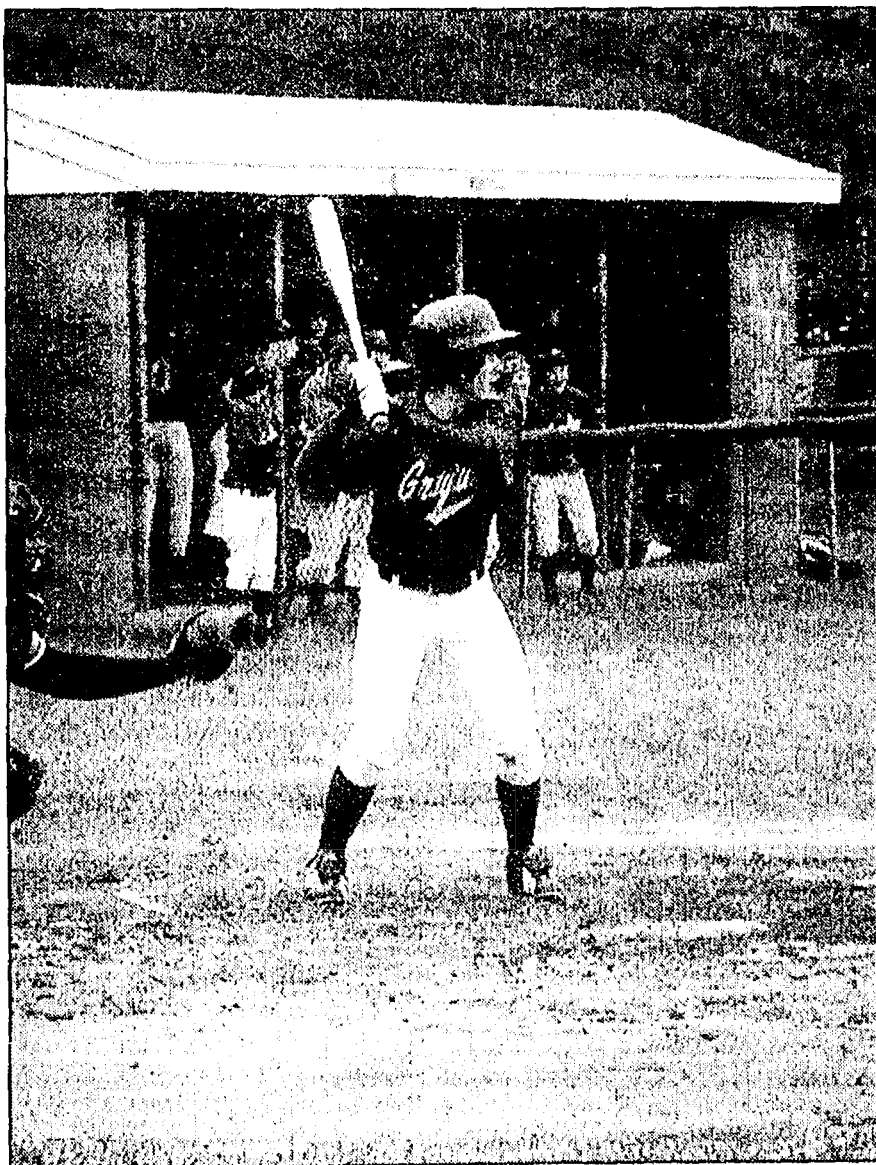
# JV baseball squad hosts Cheboygan in season opener



(Left) Josh Stapleton steps to the plate for Grayling during the first game of last Wednesday's JV baseball series vs. the Cheboygan Chiefs. The Chiefs won the contest 11-1. (Right) Trent Larm pitches for the JV Vikings on Wednesday. Wednesday was opening day for the GHS junior varsity squad.



Rocky McNamara leads off at first base during last week's series against Cheboygan.



Jacob Aubry bats for Grayling on Wednesday.



Andrew Hulbert bats for the Vikings vs. the Chiefs.

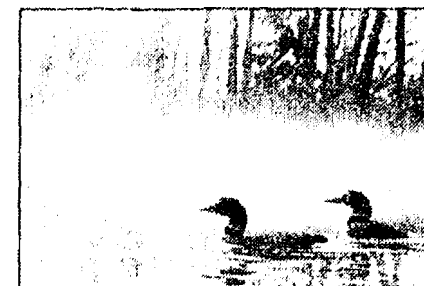
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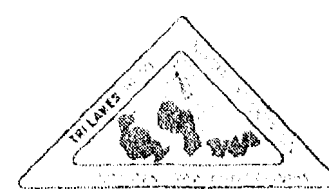
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## LEGAL ACTION

### RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

**MEETING HELD ON THE  
27TH DAY OF March 2006  
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN**

**I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Akers at 7:30 P.M.**

**II. Members Present:** Larry Akers, Roger Moshier, Kim McClain, Kim Millikin, Tom Wellman  
**Members Absent:** None

**Also in Attendance:** Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Steve Doyle, Tim Zigila, Dave Starkey, Dave Sabin, Gaila Gilliland, Ed Vandack, Mark Hurley

#### **III. Approval of Consent Agenda**

**A. City Council Meeting Minutes for March 13, 2006**

**06-061**

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented:

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

#### **IV. Public Hearings**

**A. Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Pet Shops**

Mayor Akers opened the public hearing at 7:33 PM for questions and comments regarding the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding standards for Pet Shops.

There being no questions or comments from the public, Mayor Akers closed the public hearing at 7:34 PM.

#### **V. Old Business**

**A. Air Way Automation Abatement**

**06-062**

Moved by McClain, seconded by Moshier to approve Air Way Automation's application for an Act 198 abatement for a period of 12 years:

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**B. Brink Street**

**06-063**

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Millikin to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to abate the nuisance at 213 Brink Street and bill the owner or occupant of the property for the cost of the abatement. If the bill is not paid within thirty days, the City may add the delinquent amount to the tax bill for the parcel:

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**C. Chamber Lease**

Councilperson Millikin gave an update of the progress with the Chamber Lease Agreement and explained the Memorandum of Understanding that the ad hoc committee came up with to satisfy the insurance company. This is to be brought back to the next Council Meeting.

**D. Chamber Legislative Agenda**

Tim Zigila gave an overview and update of the Chamber Legislative Agenda. This is to be brought back to the next Council Meeting.

**E. Zoning Ordinance Amendments - Pet Shops**

**06-064**

Moved by McClain, seconded by Wellman to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add standards for Pet Shops as follows:

#### **SECTION 7.06 - STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIC SPECIAL USES**

##### **PET SHOPS**

1. All pet shops shall be operated in conformity with all county and state regulations.
2. No pet shop shall be permitted within 100 feet of a residential district.
3. The Planning Commission upon review of the site plan may limit hours and type of operation and require additional measures to limit noise to adjacent property.

**Ayes:** 4, **Nays:** 1 (Moshier), **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**F. Capital Projects**

The Council received three requests for Capital Improvement Projects to be considered for the 2006-2007 fiscal year, from the City of Grayling DPW, Elmwood Cemetery and Crawford County Commission on Aging.

**G. Social Security Policy**

**06-065**

Moved by McClain, seconded by Wellman to approve the Social Security Policy as presented (see attached):

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**H. Charter Amendments**

The City Manager informed the Council that the City Clerk was in the process of trying to find out the exact form that the amendments need to be in for their approval.

**I. Planning and Zoning Fees**

Steve Doyle, Zoning Administrator prepared a spreadsheet for the Council to see where the City of Grayling's current Planning and Zoning Fees compare with other government entities to help justify the proposed increases.

#### **VI. New Business**

**A. Budget Amendments**

**06-066**

Moved by McClain, seconded by Wellman that the expenditures in the General Fund be decreased by \$5,700.00 to \$2,570,661.00 and that the expenditures in the Internal Service Fund be increased by \$5,700.00 to \$240,432.00:

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**B. Grayling Hospitality Water Bill**

Ed Vandack of The Edge Management Consultants stated that he wished to withdraw the companies request until the discrepancy of who owns the property is settled.

**C. Condominium Developments**

The Council would like to have the Planning Commission look into provisions for Condominium Developments to be addressed in the Zoning Ordinance. The City Manager has some sample language and will get them a draft to work from.

**D. Revenue Sharing**

Councilperson Millikin attended the MML Legislative Conference and brought back some information regarding the governor's proposed reduction in revenue sharing.

**E. Cable Franchising**

**06-067**

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to adopt the Resolution Expressing That Our Community Is Open-For-Cable/Video Business, and Can Guarantee That Within Days of a Formal Request That We Can Have a Franchise Agreement Ready For Any New Cable/Video Providers Consideration (see attached resolution):

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**F. Single Business Tax**

Councilperson Millikin shared some information with the Council that she picked up while at the MML Legislative Conference regarding the SBT and three proposals for Long-term Restructuring Models.

#### **VII. Citizens Who Wish To Speak**

The following individuals expressed their comments/concerns regarding various issues:

None

#### **VIII. Reports**

**ZBA**

**Planning Commission**

**DDA**

**CCEDP**

**City Manager**

**06-068**

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Moshier to extend the meeting past 9:30 PM:

**Ayes:** 5, **Nays:** 0, **Abstain:** 0, **Absent:** 0, motion carried.

**Councilman Wellman**

#### **IX. Correspondence**

**A. Revenue / Expenditure Report for 07/01/2006 - 02/28/2006**

**B. Weekly Lansing Update by Kevin Elsenheimer - March 10, 2006**

**C. League Legislative Link - March 13, 2006**

**D. Kevin Elsenheimer's Weekly Lansing Update - March 17, 2006**

**E. MML Training Seminars - April 2006**

**F. League Legislative Update - March 20, 2006**

**G. Week In Review by Matt Gillard - March 20, 2006**

**H. Draft Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for March 15, 2006**

**I. MML Action Alert - March 21, 2006**

**J. Draft Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for March 21, 2006**

**K. Letter to Clerk from Governor Granholm - March 17, 2006**

**L. Kevin Elsenheimer's Weekly Lansing Update - March 24, 2006**

**M. League Legislative Link - March 27, 2006**

## Trails draw mountain bikes to state, national land

by Jennifer Linn  
Capitol News Service

Pedaling through the state on a mountain bike is not only a form of exercise, but also a way to wind one's way through Michigan's scenic trails.

Mountain biking is becoming a more popular way to tour the state and is considered an attraction in tourist destinations such as Traverse City, South Haven and Munising.

"The trails are open year round. The problem is whether they're passable. In the spring they're muddy. Most people don't come up until May," said Ken Arbogast, public affairs officer for the Huron-Manistee National Forest, based in Cadillac.

"It's a good opportunity for people to get off the road, onto trails and to enjoy nature," he said, adding that all Huron-Manistee roads are open to mountain biking and hiking, "which provide more access to them than

a car or ATV would."

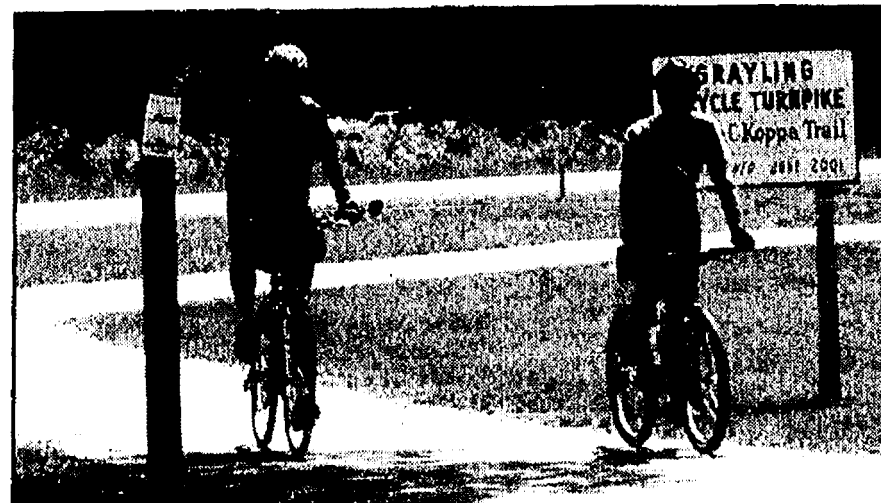
According to a survey, about 12,700 daily visitors biked on Michigan's trails during warm weather in 2002. Arbogast said that most of the bikers are Michigan residents.

Enjoying nature is part of a growing tourism trend, said Ryan Phillips, development and communications manager for the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy's Midwest office in Canal Winchester, Ohio.

"Eco-tourism is really on the rise, but trails in general are seeing more mainstream press. It's becoming more sexy, more fashionable," he said.

The state received a grade of B-plus from the International Mountain Biking Association in January, tying with 11 other states for sixth place.

The grade is based on the percent of trails open to riding, threats to bicycle access and relationships with local riding organ-



**Bicycling in Grayling**

izations, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

Phillips said the trails help to economically revitalize the communities along their way.

"Bike shops, ice cream shops, cafes and bed and breakfasts are popping up along the trails," he said.

The trails also have a positive impact on property values, in some cases up to a \$5,000 differ-

ence, he said, "The closer a home is to a trail, generally, the higher the property value is."

Michigan has more than 1,300 miles of trails designated for bicycle use, including the 34-mile Kal-Haven Trail State Park between Kalamazoo and South Haven, a 43-mile trail in the Grand Island National Recreation Area and the 22-mile Betsie Valley Trail between Frankfort and Thompsonville.

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

**File No. 06-7114 DE**  
**Estate of YVONNE PATRICIA PAYNE**

**Date of birth: 12/7/1937**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, YVONNE PATRICIA PAYNE, who lived at 4897 N. M-18, South Branch Twp., Michigan died 3/11/2006.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to DANIEL PAYNE c/o SCOTT L. HESS, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

**Date:** 4-6-06  
**SCOTT L. HESS P37379**  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 49635  
989-275-5184

**DANIEL PAYNE c/o SCOTT L. HESS**  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 49635  
989-275-5184

rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna Keene and Debra Keene, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2000, and recorded on December 1, 2000 in Liber 523 on Page 531, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixteen And 69/100 Dollars (\$62,416.69), including interest at 10.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 17, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Block 3, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

**Dated:** April 13, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #089469F01

-13-20-27-4

### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.**

**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sara Priebe and Robert Belcher, single persons, joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 15, 2004, and recorded on June 21, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 286, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Nine And 64/100 Dollars (\$110,399.64), including interest at 9.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 10, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 17 and 18, Block 1, of Oak Hill Park, Township of

Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, According to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 27, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

**Dated:** April 6, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #088500F01

-6-13-20-27

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David P. Comer, Jr and Andrea L. Comer, husband and wife and Cora A. Flowers, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 14, 2002, and recorded on May 16, 2002 in Liber 581 on Page 506, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Nineteen And 11/100 Dollars (\$58,919.11), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 17, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 3 and 4 of Block 20, Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 2, Crawford County Records, and the South 36 of Lot 5, of Block 20 of the Original Plat to the City of Grayling.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

**Dated:** April 13, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC C 248.593.1301  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #089218F01

-13-20-27-4





# LEGAL ACTION

## MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by WAYNE C. METZER and KELLY A. METZER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2002, and recorded on November 7, 2002, in Liber 606, on Page 156, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$73,532.43), including interest at 6.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 24, 2006

Said premises are situated in Township of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan and described as: LOT 13, PINE GROVE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 01 OF PLATS, PAGE 58, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX ID NO. 20-040-45-660-00-013-00

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 13, 2006

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075  
Client I.D. GMAC.0910

-20-27-4-11

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel B. Gallagher, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Paramount Bank, Mortgagee, dated July 13, 2001, and recorded on July 17, 2001 in Liber 542 on Page 49, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due

at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Fifteen And 56/100 Dollars (\$43,015.56), including interest at 9.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, Block 17, of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 30, 2006

For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #051557F04

-30-6-13-20

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**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott M. Searles by Linda Searles, his Attorney in Fact whose Power of Attorney is recorded in Liber 578, Page 429 of Crawford County Register of Deeds and Linda Searles, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Hilton Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 21, 2002, and recorded on April 22, 2002 in Liber 578 on Page 431, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Five And 92/100 Dollars (\$60,885.92), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 57, Roy L. Estates as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

the date of such sale.

Dated: March 30, 2006  
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Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #0186031F02

-30-6-13-20

## MORTGAGE SALE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Deborah A. Mahaney unmarried of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to The Huntington National Bank dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of October, A.D. 2004, in Liber 671 of Crawford Records, on page 999, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$53,776.86 (fifty three thousand, seven hundred seventy six dollars and eighty six cents) plus accrued interest at 7.50% (seven point five zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 3rd day of May, A.D., 2006, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan., Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Lot 13, Pinecrest Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, page 1, Crawford County Records  
Commonly known as: 4600 Orbit Dr.

Tax ID: 040-45-640-00-013-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 30, 2006

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS  
CO., L.P.A.

By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)

Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR#05095903

-30-6-13-20-27

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 440, Indian Glens of the Ausable No. 6, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 1 through 14, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 30, 2006  
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Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #088180F01

-30-6-13-20

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The Crawford County Road Commission will receive bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting) on Thursday, May 4th 2006, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, PO Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for furnishing the following material:

### 23-A Crushed Gravel

Gravel to be made to Crawford County Road Commission specifications. Contractor will be required to furnish clay or any material deemed necessary to accommodate the specifications. Cost of furnishing these material shall be incidental to gravel production. Materials shall be produced and stockpiled at the following location on or before July 1, 2006:

**25,000 ton:** within the proximity of T25N, R3W, Beaver Creek Township or T26N, R3W, Grayling Township.

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address. Bids must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as "23A Gravel Bid".

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to add or delete quantities, to waive informalities in the bids and to award the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners

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John Hartman, Vice-Chairman  
Jim Burtch, Commissioner

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### Aggregates - F.O.B. Suppliers Pit

#### Corrugated Plastic Pipe

#### Corrugated Metal Pipe

#### Hot Mix & Cold Patch Asphalt

All materials must meet current Michigan Department of Transportation specifications. Additional information may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

Specifications and bid documents may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address. Bids must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as to the contents.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities in the bids and to award the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

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### Roadway Surfacing (various locations)

#### Bituminous Surface Mixture No. 13A (non-recycled)

Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining an approved mix design, which must be submitted and approved by the Crawford County Road Commission prior to commencement of work. Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all recycled asphalt pavement for the entire bid quantity.

**Completion date: All paving shall be completed by October 1st, 2006**

**Or as required to meet specific project schedules.**

Crawford County Road Commission will provide flag personnel and traffic control devices during construction. All materials must meet current Michigan Department of Transportation specifications. Material test reports and weight tickets shall be provided in English units. Additional information may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

Bidding documents are available upon request.

Contractor shall provide Certificate of Insurance prior to commencing work. Certificate shall include:

1) Board of County Road Commissioners **AND** the Crawford County Road Commission named as additional insured to all coverage, 2) Bodily Injury Liability - each person - \$500,000.00 each occurrence, 3) Bodily Injury Liability - each accident - \$1,000,000.00, 4) Property Damage Liability - each accident - \$1,000,000.00, 5) Single Limit Policy - \$1,000,000.00 and 6) Worker's compensation - statutory limits.

The Board reserves the right to add or delete projects and quantities, which are deemed to be in the best interest of the Crawford County Road Commission.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "Paving Bid".

The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, to add or delete quantities or projects to or from the bid and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

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The Crawford County Road Commission will receive bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting) on Thursday, May 4th 2006, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, PO Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for furnishing the following:

### BITUMINOUS BASE CRUSHING

All materials must meet current Michigan Department of Transportation specifications. Additional information may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

Specifications and bid documents may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address. Bids must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as **Bituminous Base Crushing**.

The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, to add or delete quantities or projects to or from the bid and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners

Ken Riehle, Chairman  
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman  
Jim Burtch, Commissioner

## MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

Maple Forest Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Zoning Ordinance at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2006 at the Maple Forest Township Hall located 8996 North Sherman Road. Interested parties are invited to review a copy of the ordinance at the Township Hall, Monday & Wednesday between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. or on the NEMCOG's web site at: <http://www.nemcog.org/active-projects.htm>. For further information contact Bernie Feldhauser, Planning Commission Chair at (989) 348-7397 or Sandy Baynham, Clerk at (989) 348-5543. Comments can be sent to the Bernie Feldhauser, 7264 N. Peterson Rd., Frederic 48733 or comments may be made at the public hearing.

Sandra L. Baynham  
Maple Forest Township Clerk

## CRAWFORD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION COUNTY COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ARE PRESENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR:  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE COUNTY RESIDENTS AND TO COORDINATE AND IMPLEMENT THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE. MEMBERS ACCUMULATE, TABULATE AND STUDY FACTUAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PHYSICAL RESOURCES AND NEEDS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY.

COMPENSATION COMMISSION APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE COUNTY RESIDENTS. THE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE SALARY OF ALL ELECTED COUNTY WIDE OFFICIALS ON EVEN NUMBERED YEARS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNTY BOARD.

APPLICATIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM AND SUBMITTED TO COUNTY CLERK SANDRA MOORE BY MONDAY, MAY 1, 2006 AT 11:00 A.M. OR MAY BE OBTAINED ON LINE THRU [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) AND RETURNED TO CRAWFORD COUNTY CLERK 200 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

SANDRA MOORE, COUNTY CLERK  
APRIL 13, 2006

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
April 21, 1983

Crawford County is now the owner of the only map in Michigan and possibly the United States completely drawn from infrared aerial photographs. The map was funded through a \$7,500 state grant, \$6,000 Northeast Michigan Private Industry Council grant, and a \$2,500 county appropriation.

Area businesses are battling a sparkling .433 average in support of the Grayling Softball League as it plans to open the season on a brand new field. With the season still four weeks away, merchants have bought up 26 out of 60 sign spaces on a new outfield fence at the Hanson Hills ballpark. That's a .433 average even before the season starts and, unlike softball, that average could climb to 1,000.

Playing at the Rialto this week is The Sting II, starring Jackie Gleason, Mac Davis, Teri Garr, Karl Malden and Oliver Reed.

At Jansen's Sales and Service, buy an RCA video disc player for only \$299 and Jansen's will give you 10 disc rentals absolutely free.

Four Grayling men, a Frederic couple, and a Big Rapids man have been arrested and charged with delivery of marijuana and LSD. The Crawford County Sheriff Dept., along with the Mecosta County Sheriff Dept.,

the Michigan State Police Crime Investigation Unit from East Lansing, and state police from both the Houghton Lake and Gaylord posts, arrested the suspects capping a four month investigation.

Crawford County has been picked as one of three counties in the northern lower peninsula to receive grant money aimed at reducing infant death. The first program funded by the state will be a pre-natal and infant care conference.

Crawford County residents have taken the new drunk driving laws to heart. For the third week in a row since harsher laws went into effect, Crawford County residents have avoided drunk driving charges.

46 Years Ago  
April 21, 1960

Grayling's local Ham radio enthusiast, Floyd Davis, made the farthest contact he has made to date, talking with one of a group of men at the South Pole.

The new Grayling Home Bakery owned and operated by Corey Wachowski of West Branch opens its doors for business. It is located on Michigan avenue between Bill's Laundry-It and Sniggens Hotel.

The Grayling High 1960 track team came out as expected in a dual meet with the East Jordan Red Devils. Although no team score was kept, Viking coach

Bruce Smith said that if it had been Grayling would have lost.

Located at the Holcomb Real Estate office, next to McEvers garage on US-27, John Stephan has established the Superior Sign Shop. A new type of raised lettering will be used and the latest style in lighted signs will be available.

Spring savings at Shoemakers include: metal food carriers for \$1.93, and Baby Dolls or Waltz length gowns, your choice 77¢.

Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m., parking will be limited to one hour, in the two blocks on Michigan Avenue between Norway and Peninsular Streets. The parking limitation takes effect immediately.

The Grayling Home Bakery, located at 102 Michigan Avenue is opening Wednesday. Friday and Saturday's special is whipped cream puffs, 3 for 29¢.

The Woman's Club was fortunate this year in not having to ask for too many sheets for their second Variety Show. Ralph Hoffman had a slight mishap before the curtain went up and when they picked him up off the floor, he tore his dress.

Then Glenn Sawyer kicked so high that he caught his toes in the ruffles. The sewing committee will have them all repaired.

A banquet was held honoring three New York Central railroad employees, one of whom is John Lou Martin of Grayling. At the conclusion, Mr. Martin was presented with a television.

Clarence Holcomb is enlarging

his real estate office on Cedar street, by adding another room at the rear.

69 Years Ago  
April 22, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson were among those who saw the Tigers in their opening game.

Grayling baseball fans including Arthur May, Gordon Pond, James Post, A.J. Joseph, Alfred Hanson, Harold MacNeven and Clarence Johnson attended the opening game of the Tigers playing the Cleveland Indians.

There is some remodeling being done on the Schram blacksmith shop and also the Sinclair gas station.

The Roscommon - Crawford County Table Top Association met at the Fischer Hotel for a general get together.

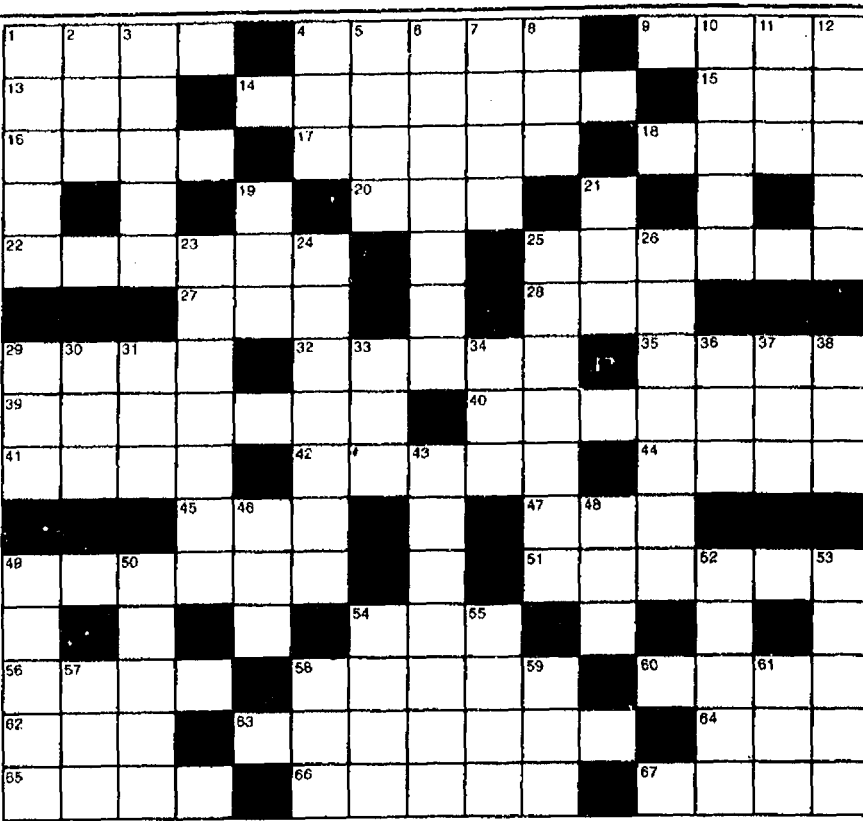
92 Years Ago  
April 23, 1913

Jess Sales is the new clerk at the New Russell Hotel, Philip Van Patten resigned his position.

On the 27th of this month, Thos. Cassidy will break ground for a new three-story addition, 24 by 56 feet, with a basement for his Model bakery. This is the third addition that has been made at the plant in five years.

Olaf Sorenson and Sons have made an improvement on their establishment by re-decorating the interior. The work was done by Waldemar Jensen and his force of painters. T.E. Douglas of Lovells is driving a brand new five passenger Apperson car.

## CROSSWORD



Across

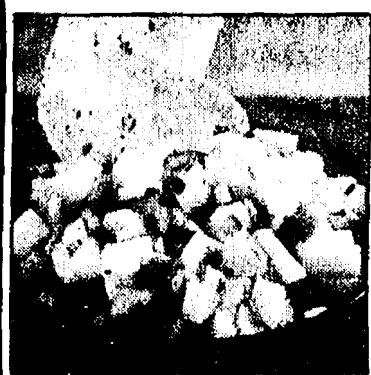
1. Official currency of Myanmar.
4. Ferreo Campineiro was a small railroad or an extended tramway line that linked the city of Campinas with the Cabras district.
9. Iroquois word meaning "great water."
13. Primary division of geologic time.
14. One who is in charge of an entertainer's business affairs.
15. South American wood sorrel cultivated for its edible tubers.
16. 1987 film starring Barbara Streisand.
17. Be entitled to something.
18. Purposes.
20. Computer network that spans a wider area than does a local area network.
22. Rooted passageway especially with shops on one or both sides.
25. Edible viscera of a butchered animal.
27. Acronym for "meters above bottom" in oceanography.
28. Small, round, green seed borne in pods and used as a vegetable.
29. Very rich European cake prepared with yeast dough.
32. Spread rumors.
33. One of the first manufactured fibers with a soft, crisp feel.
40. Wander from the point.
41. Point feature that undoes an undo.
42. Technique characteristic of an individual artist, period, movement or medium.
43. Chase, actress, playwright and novelist.
45. MacDonald, folk singer.
47. Third stage of behavioral processes in which artifacts are utilized.
49. Reproduction.
51. Primary coffee taste sensation created as salts in the coffee combine with sugars to increase overall sweetness.
54. Measure of importance.
56. Rell, aka "Gracious lady of surfing."
58. Invasion, six part mini-series by the BBC and the SciFi Channel.
60. Unproductive of success.
62. Oval body laid by domestic poultry and other birds.
63. Pertaining to pages.
64. Nonsense.
65. Lateen-rigged sailing vessel used by Arabs.
66. Native of the planet Remus on Star Trek.
67. Burden.

Down

1. Republic in Eastern Africa.
2. Pronoun referring to the person being addressed.
3. Harry, artist of Christian Cameos series.
4. First sign of the zodiac.
5. Once more.
6. Large black-and-white African stork.
7. Opposed to.
8. Period of time for which a property is leased.
10. Minor eighth-century Hebrew prophet.
11. Frozen part of a body of water.
12. British rock band originally formed in Manchester.
19. Tarbell, America's first great woman journalist.
21. Keen resentment.
23. Belonging to.
24. Period between high water and succeeding low water.
25. Most desirable possible under a restricted expressed.
26. Garcia Marquez, 1992 Nobel Prize winner for literature.
29. Unable to be tagged in chasing games.
30. Drummond, comic strip character created by Eddie Rickenbacker.
31. Music behind the voice in an announcement.
33. Most common color for \$5 chips.
34. Constructed language arguably the second-most used international auxiliary language in the world.
36. Scaleless, snake-like fish.
37. Address a question to and expect an answer from.
38. North American republic containing 50 states.
43. Time between one event and another.
46. Roman mythology goddess of abundance and fertility.
48. Smaller monetary unit of Western Samoa.
49. Made easier to bear.
50. T600, new car designed by Commuter Cars.
52. Get to know by heart.
53. Needs.
54. Phineas, most famous patient to have survived severe brain damage.
55. Mount, realm of Vulcan, God of fire.
57. Interjection of disgust.
58. Depression in casting that received a pin for aligning the pieces in a two-piece mold.
59. Dynasty, considered by the Chinese as one of the greatest periods in the entire history of China.
61. Promise to pay a debt.

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

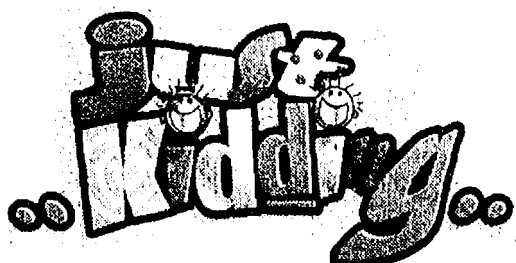


## Cameo Apple Salsa

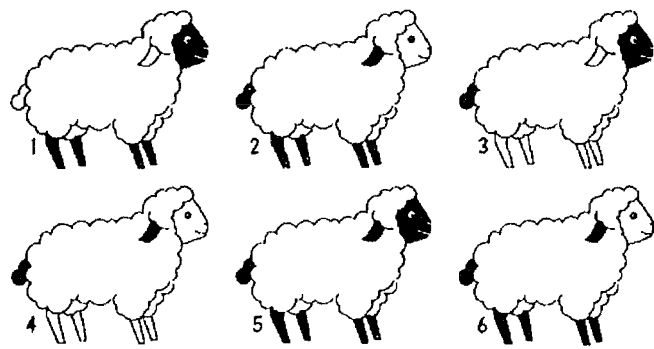
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| 2 cups Cameo apples, diced                     | 1/4 cup lime juice                   |
| 1/2 cup red onion, diced                       | 1 Tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro       |
| 1/2 cup (1 large) chili pepper, finely chopped | 1/4 tsp. salt                        |
| 1 jalapeño pepper, finely chopped (optional)   | 1/2 tsp. freshly ground black pepper |

Combine all ingredients in large bowl and mix well. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 30 minutes or until ready to serve.

Tip: For a snack, serve with tortilla chips or use as a topping to accent a meal of grilled chicken, fish or pork.



## FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

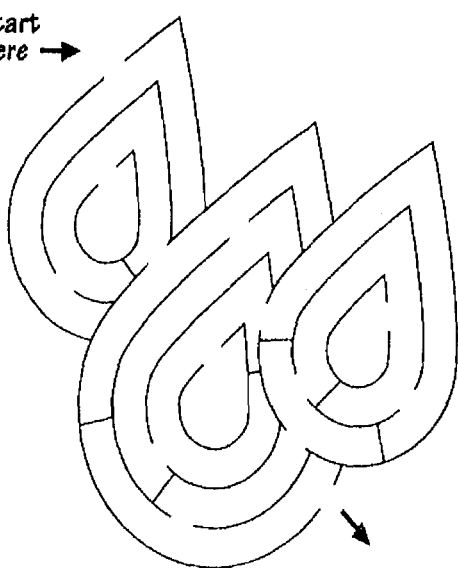


## DID YOU KNOW ??

The longest one-syllable word in the English language is "screeched."

## MAZE

Start Here →



April Showers

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of April 20, 2006



Capricorn

December 22-January 19

Agonizing over a dilemma is a waste of time, Capricorn. Time does indeed heal all wounds. A date with a buddy raises an important question. Look within for the answer.



Aries

March 21-April 19

Yahoo, Aries. Fun is just a hop and a skip away. Strap on your dancing shoes and get ready to have a ball. A last-minute response has you scrambling for details.



Gemini

June 22-July 22

Peace is all yours and moments of solitude multiply. You emerge like a butterfly from a cocoon ready to tackle whatever is thrown at you.



Libra

September 23-October 22

The days are growing longer, motivating you to do some spring cleaning. Start with the worst room in the house and work your way around.



Aquarius

January 20-February 18

Joy grows in leaps and bounds as relationships deepen and new ones begin. A plan of work begins to unravel - work quickly, Aquarius, to rectify the damage.



Taurus

April 20-May 20

Invitations to big events arrive by the handful. Time to get gussied up and have fun. Hopes of reconciliation are dashed. Don't let it get to you. Another opportunity will arise.



Leo

July 23-August 22

Memories of holidays past come flooding back. Get creative and merge the traditional with the modern. A thought-provoking film introduces you to a new cause - get involved, Leo.



Scorpio

October 23-November 21

Love reigns supreme as family feuds end and fresh starts begin. A last-ditch effort to get a project underway at work receives ample recognition.



Pisces

February 19-March 20

The pool of suspicion is growing at work. Don't get sucked in, or you could wind up in the middle of the fire. A social faux pas turns out to be a blessing in disguise.



Gemini

May 21-June 21

Prosperity knocks open the door and your bank account grows. Invest wisely and don't forget about those less fortunate. A special occasion requires extra thought.



Virgo

August 23-September 22

Surprise, Virgo. A home improvement project doesn't quite turn out how you envisioned it, but the results are stunning anyway. Celebrate with a night on the town.



Sagittarius

November 22-December 21

Mixing business with pleasure is not in your best interest, Sagittarius. Immerse yourself in work and let diligence be your guide. Amazing things will come of it.

## ADOPT A PET



Fiona

is a sweet, talkative girl, about 2 years old. She gets along with other cats, is spayed, front declawed, leukemia tested negative and fully vaccinated.

Baron

is a happy young lad, under a year old. He gets along with other dogs, loves to play fetch and seems to be housebroken. He is neutered and fully vaccinated.



The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website [www.assc.petfinder.com](http://www.assc.petfinder.com)

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

Date	H	L	Precip.
4/12	70	32	0.03
4/13	63	36	0.12
4/14	68	35	0.11
4/15	77	38	0
4/16	62	31	0
4/17	59	26	0
4/18	58	27	0

### Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 63 Low 40	High 58 Low 37	High 60 Low 41	High 66 Low 40	High 61 Low 37	High 63 Low 40
Few Showers	Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Showers	Partly Cloudy



# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

## Crawford County Avalanche

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$8.00 per column inch

Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday

Classifieds by the word rate - \$6.00 for 15 words or

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Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

### 1. Real Estate

**FOR SALE BY OWNER** 2 bedroom, 1 bath home in the city of Grayling. Perfect home for retired couple or new family. Lots of new updates. For more information call 348-7703. Home is located at 608 Ogema St. (-20/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**AUTOMATICALLY RECEIVE NEW LISTINGS** e-mailed to you. Call us at 348-5474 or email to ent21@i2k.com Century 21 River Country Real Estate. Visit our web: www.century21grayling.com (2/23/06t/1)

**FOR SALE** 2 bedroom trailer on approximately 3 acres with 2-car garage, 3 storage areas attached. Asking \$54,000. 989-348-8503. (-13-20-27/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**FOR SALE** 2.3 acres on East Branch with 230' frontage, 2 miles to city limits. \$52,000. 989-619-9031. (LR5/4/06/1)

**SECLUDED 2 BEDROOM CHALET** with spacious loft, 5 acres hardwoods, huge 2 story garage. Near AuSable main stream, 7 miles east of Grayling. Must sell, \$139,000. 989-390-4047. (LR5/11/06/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**LOW INCOME** housing available to purchase. Apply with Connie at Century 21. Call for an appointment. 348-5474 or cell 390-2888. Currently 5 homes available. (2/23/06t/1)

**FOR SALE: MOBILE HOME** Detroit, 14 x 65', 3 bedroom, 1.5 baths, suitable for hunting cabin, rebuilt furnace, \$300/OBO. Call Jim at 989-348-6674. (-20-27/1)

### 2. For Rent

**EFFICIENCY ROOMS** weekly or monthly. No pets, only responsible adults. 348-6649, ask for Dec. (LR5/11/06/2)

**WEEKLY AND MONTHLY** house and cottage rentals near Roscommon, Grayling, on Higgins Lake and on Houghton Lake. Higgins North Vacation Rentals. (989) 821-3434. (12/25/03t/2)

### 2. For Rent

**4 SALE OR RENT** mobile homes, \$2,000 and up, or \$450 and up. 348-5278. (3/16/06t/2)

**RAYNE FOREST RENTALS** 1 bedroom duplexes, \$500 per month. 348-5230. (3/30/06t/2)

**RENT TO OWN ELECTRONICS** computers, furniture, appliances, jewelry. Easy weekly or monthly payment plan. No credit needed. No obligation. Ask for details about our new "Bonus Buck" program. Call Continental Home Centers today (989) 348-2499. (LR7/27/06/2)

**LAKE HOME FOR RENT** Beautifully remodeled 3 bedroom home with view and access to Lake Margrethe. Large lot with 2-car garage and paved drive way. Kitchen appliances included. \$800 per month plus security, no pets. 586-228-2874. (LR4/27/06/2)

**CABINS/HOUSE AT LOST ACRES** Rent a cozy cabin year round from \$275 per month, including all utilities. 11010 N. Old US27, 4 miles north of Frederic. 30 wooded acres, walk to lake. \$200 security, no pets. 4 bedroom house is \$575, plus all utilities. 877-227-6976. (4/06/06t/2)

### 1. Real Estate

**RENT TO OWN!** If you pay rent, you can own! Stop paying off your landlord's mortgage! You can Rent-To-Own your own home even with poor credit! Call Steven at 866-860-7994. 24 hour recorded message.

**Connie**

Stunning full log home on Wakeley Creek. You won't be able to wipe the grin off your face when you walk into this spectacular home. Open-log staircase, wood flooring, Amish made cabinetry, Cathedral Pine ceilings, extensive wrap around decking. \$294,000 #5588

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**RARE FIND WITH STUNNING & CAPTURING VIEWS FROM ALMOST EVERY ROOM.** 30 beautifully wooded acres plus over 1/4 mile of frontage on Koka Creek. Very well built ranch with full walk-out. Oak cabinets, ceramic tile interior floors & windows, plus vaulted ceilings. An abundance of wildlife, serenity & all situated with hills & valleys, adjoining state land on 2 sides. OBB-2306 \$248,900

**A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON LAKE MARGRETHE.** In all sports 2000 acre lake, with ownership in this large family home on the canal. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, family room, etc. room, large screened in porch overlooking the canal plus a large country kitchen with dining area & back fireplace. Very nice hardwood floors & wood stove. Detailed finish accents, murals & more. Park your boat at your doorstep. OBB-2306 \$294,900

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**NEW LISTING**

**NICELY WOODED PARCEL ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD.** 1.176 s.f., 3 B/R, 1 bath, 8 x 12 entry, and spacious kitchen. 22 x 24 garage, partially fenced back yard, and circle drive. \$54,000 CH-2312



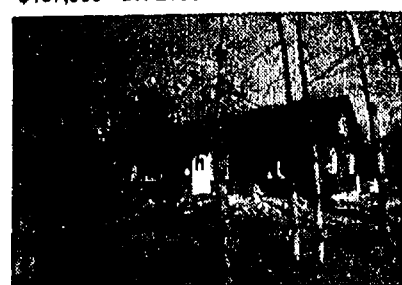
**NEW LISTING**

**BEAUTIFUL WOODED SETTING ON BLACKTOP STREET.** NEAT & CLEAN "CHALET" 1,152 s.f., 3 B/R, and 1 1/2 baths. Home features downhill onto rear deck, brick hearth with woodstove, large 10 x 16 storage shed, and adjacent lot ideal for garage. To include stove, refrigerator, and microwave. Priced less than assessed valuation. \$79,900 CH-2310



**NEW LISTING**

**AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM-279' FRONTAGE BACKING UP TO HANSON GAME RESERVE.** Very secluded close to Grayling! 1,412 s.f., 3 B/R, brick ranch with full basement, fireplace, two garages, enclosed river porch. Secluded yet close to town. All appliances and mostly furnished. \$167,900 CH-2309



**NEW LISTING**

**PRIVATE ACCESS TO MANISTEE RIVER.** This Belaire full-log home features 3BR with open loft, 3BA, tiled kitchen, custom counter-tops, open cathedral ceilings with full exposed beams, 2 skylights, Anderson-replacement windows, appliances, 3-season sun-porch, sliding glass doors to deck & hot tub with covered gazebo, newer steel roof, and 2.5 car heated garage w/loft. Adjacent and backs up to state land. CH-2080 \$149,500

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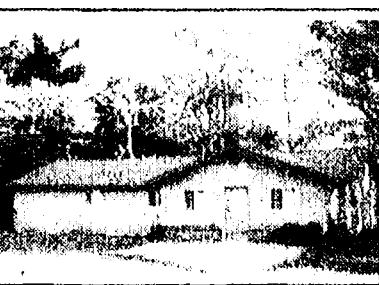
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**AFFORDABLE HOME IN NICE SUBDIVISION** This home offers 1,056 sq. ft. with 2-3 bedrooms and 1 bath. Features include a nice kitchen with oak cabinets, full basement that is dry walled with family room and additional room. Large deck with privacy fence. 3 lots total. Appliances include stove, refrigerator with ice and water maker. Nice subdivision with private access to the famous Manistee River. \$69,000 CS-2242



**LOTS 16-21, BLOCK 4 OF 4TH ADDITION PORTAGE LAKE PARK.** Nice mixture of pines and hardwoods on flat terrain. Electricity and access road both on Eagle Point Road. Directions to Property: M-72 West to left on Eagle Point Road to right at HELMAX sign on Beech Terrace. CS-2045 \$4,000



**50 FEET FROM RIVER'S EDGE WITH PRIVATE SETTING!** 165' on the east branch of the AuSable River. Cozy log sided cottage sits 50' from the river's edge with picturesque setting offering 2.5 acres. Tongue and groove wood interior. Cedar siding on the exterior, needs some finishing touches including floor covering. Cathedral ceiling in family room with 2 skylights. Brick fireplace. Kitchen offers new oak cabinets with Lazy Susan. New vinyl windows and extra slab doors onto full length deck overlooking the river. Detached garage with vinyl slab for addition and vinyl shed. Cement patio with stone design into entrance of cottage. CS-2254 \$105,500

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**NEW LISTING**

This is just the ticket for a large family. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths with approximately 2,600 s.f. It has a full finished lower level, nice back yard, deck, large garage w/attached work area behind and a paved drive. Mature hardwoods. \$150,000 #5661

**NEW LISTING**

10 acres of beautiful hardwoods. This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home offers new carpet, fresh paint, new deck... the owner has done everything right for you to move right on in. There is a 2 car garage, and a fire-pit area. Located on a dirt county maintained road. \$115,000 #5660

**NEW LISTING**

Handyman special, interior needs work and house is being sold "as is." Real nice location in a quiet corner of the city overlooking the AuSable River Valley. 2 blocks from the library and two blocks from the river. \$39,500 #5658

**REDUCED**

20+/- Acres, state land on 2 sides. On the Blue Bear Snowmobile Trail. FANTASTIC LOCATION for both hunters and snowmobilers! 1991 Cottage has 1,756 sq. ft., enough room for the whole gang! 2 car garage, generator, horse corral with shelter and a 1930's quaint log cabin. \$143,000 #5593

**REDUCED**

Meticulously kept, well maintained, custom built multi level 4 bedroom, 2 bath home in Guthrie Lakes area. Private deed lake access, abuts state land. Beautifully landscaped home sets itself on its own to sell, priced at \$179,000. #5601

**REDUCED**

Cozy 3 bed ranch on 2.5 acres in a great location. 32x32 garage with 11' ceiling insulated and drywalled. Extensive rock landscaping, circle drive and close to snowmobile trails and AuSable River. Property ideal for primary residence or recreational getaway. \$115,000 #5612

**COMMERCIAL**

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**3 BEDROOM** 1 bath on wooded lot in Frederic. Natural gas. \$525 monthly plus \$200 deposit. 7681 Mill. Verifiable income and references, no pets. After 6 pm. 1-810-305-0855. (-20/2)

**FOR RENT** nice 2 bedroom home, gas heat, well insulated, located, East M-72, Grayling. Will lease. \$500, plus deposit. 989-348-5428. (3/23/06t/2)

**DUPLEX** 2 bedroom, 1 bath near town. Washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator included, attached garage. \$500 deposit, \$630 per month, includes heat. 348-6938. (4/13/06t/2)

**FREE ROOM FOR RENT** in exchange for cleaning the house. Single female, no children. 348-6800. (-20/2)

**4 LEASE** mobile home lot, 2.5 acres, located off M-72 near Burtons Landing. 14 x 65' concrete slab with utility hook ups. \$450 per month, \$100 discount during winter months. 877-365-2006. (-20-27/2)

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLI-CATIONS** for 3 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home, located at 218 Crestwood Drive in Grayling Mobile Estates. Natural gas, cable, \$485 a month, plus security deposit. Call Ron at 989-344-2053. (4/20/06t/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** 2 bedroom, updated kitchen, fresh paint, non-smokers preferred. Rent \$500, utilities negotiable. 810-235-4164 or 760-567-5536. (-20-27/2)

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**WEEKLY OR MONTHLY RENTALS** Furnished rooms, no deposit, includes all utilities. Phone available. Western Trails Motel. 348-7681. (-20-27-4/2)

**GRAYLING, NOW ACCEPT-ING APPLICATIONS** for the Arbor Court Apartments. Rent based on 30% of adjusted income. Barrier free unit available, equal housing opportunity. Families welcome. For more information, call Pam, 989-732-6237 (corrected phone number) or TDD# 1-800-649-3777. (-13-20-27/2)

3. Employment

**RESTAURANT OPPORTUNI-TY** Established business is looking for a cook to lease kitchen. This is a rare opportunity to the right person. Virtually no cost to take over kitchen business. Mail business plan to Skyline Ski & Country Club at 4524 Skyline Rd., Grayling, MI 49738 or call Jerry at 989-275-5445 for appointment. (-20/3)

**HAWK RIDGE GOLF COURSE** now taking applications for seasonal help for all positions. Applications will be available starting Friday, April 21. (-20/3)

**ATTENTION DRIVERS** no experience necessary. TMC Transportation needs drivers. \$650 per week guaranteed. Off weekends. For CDL training with CDL. 800-882-7364. (-13-20/3)

**SUMMER HELP WANTED** Evergreen Party Store. Cashier, stock help, Dairy Queen. 821-5425. (-13-20/3)

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**PHOTO JOURNALIST** 2006 summer internship: June through August/September. Could lead to full-time 2007 position. Seeking competent individual with photographic or photo journalist experience. Intermediate or advanced amateur skill level is acceptable. Must be comfortable and capable with digital photography and computers. Reasonably creative and resourceful. This is a fun job for the right person. Requires 60% travel with 55-60 hours per week. Irregular hours. Must have own car. Photographic and computer equipment will be supplied by company. Mail resume to: Creative Paper Products, P.O. Box 133, Pentwater, MI 49449 or email resume to: [pjm@creativepaperproducts.com](mailto:pjm@creativepaperproducts.com). (-20-27/3)

**HELP WANTED** Great summer employment opportunities. Apply at Fox Run Country Club, 5825 West 4 Mile Rd., Grayling. 348-4343. (-20-27-4/3)

**SEARS OF GRAYLING** now accepting resumes at, 6375 M-72 West, Grayling. (-20/3)

**REGIONAL DIRECTOR** Part-time work with exchange student organization. Recruit and interview host families, supervise students, build professional relationships with schools. Sales and/or community outreach experience preferred. Contact 1-888-552-9872. (-20-27-4/3)

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**TAKING OVER** for Stitches by Sue. Military sewing by: Seams Like Home. 348-7220. (LR5/11/06/4)

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**ROOFING, SIDING, CUSTOM DECKS** power washing. Quality work, affordable prices. 20 years experience. Senior discounts. Free estimates. Call Scott Quality Construction. 348-5817, 390-1526. (LR5/04/06/4)

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**PROFESSIONAL HEMMING** jeans, dresses, slacks, etc. 989-344-2444. (3/16/06t/4)

**D. HAWES** Northern Driving School--NDS will be offering Segment I and Segment II courses during the spring/summer months. Classes will be held in Grayling on May 1, June 12, and July 6. Roscommon: April 12, June 12, and August 1. Mio: April 12 and June 12. Classes forming now, call for information. Newer model cars and certified, professional instructors. No book fees and no hidden costs. (989) 344-2470. (3/30/06t/4)

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**FRESH NEW LOOKS** Handyman. Tile repair, removal and replacement, drywall repair, refinish decks. 348-8169. (LR4/27/06/4)

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**KATZ CLEANING SERVICE** Quality, affordable, cleaning. Business and residential experience. Call now for our wide variety of year round services. 989-821-5259. (03/9/06t/4)

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**IF YOU ARE ILL** or unable to do your general house cleaning, call Jackie at 348-6168/information. Will also clean offices. (LR4/20/06/4)

**SPRING CLEAN UP** Yard work, tree, brush, and rubbish removal. Call Scott for free estimate. 348-4531. 390-4610. (LR4/27/06/4)

**DRIVERS EDUCATION SUMMER SCHEDULE** June 5 and July 10, Segment 1, 2 and road testing. Low prices, most experienced, safe driving record. Contact Howard Lehti, 348-8838, for materials. (LR5/25/05/4)

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**DO YOU HAVE** a loved one residing in a Nursing Home? Consider us. We offer private rooms, with climate controlled by you, in each room. We also offer short term rehabilitation and out patient therapy services. See us at 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling nursing and Rehabilitation Community. (-13-20/4)

**WHEN YOU LEAVE HOME** do you worry about burglary, fire or water damage? A monitored alarm system from Protection One can eliminate those fears. Call Art Wakeley at 231-420-6906, State Police (retired). (LR5/11/06/4)

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**CARPET CLEANING** Wiltse Carpet Service has been pleasing customers in the area for over 30 years with the right equipment and experience. Call for free estimate. 989-348-8658. (LR6/15/06/4)

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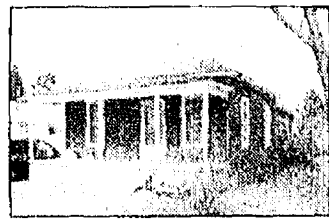
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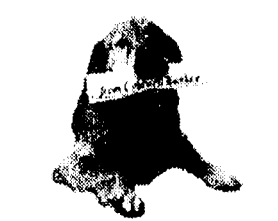


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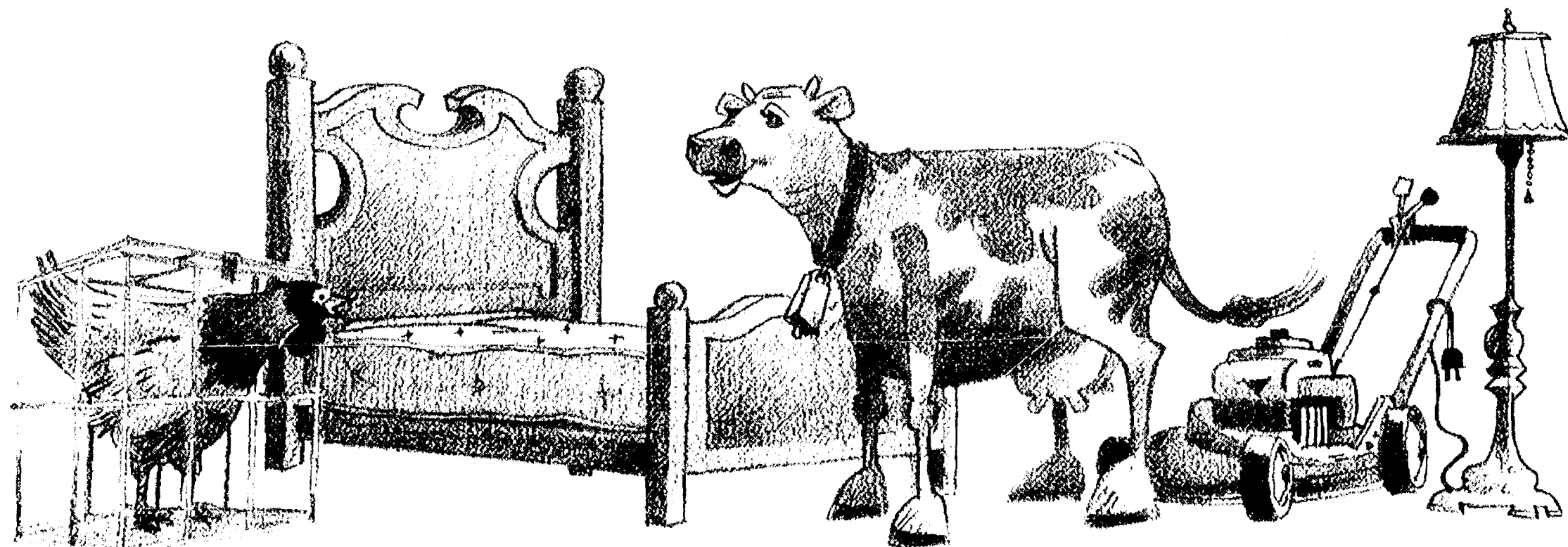
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